

## Writing Exercise Building the Paragraph

Students often feel that they cannot make a paragraph longer because they don't think there is any more to say than what has already been stated. This exercise is to help you see that you can.

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**DIRECTIONS: Develop the paragraph by writing a sentence between each of the existing sentences. Underline the sentences you add. Notice the underlined sample sentence that has been added to say more about the first sentence. Follow that example throughout the paragraph.**

I woke up late and was hungry. There was no more instant oatmeal and I didn't have time to cook a full breakfast. It was cold, and my car wouldn't start. On the way to work, someone pulled out in front of me. I blew the horn, but the driver paid no attention to my blast. I got to work and the note on my desk said "see the boss." I went to her office and she said she didn't need me anymore. I returned home hungry and unemployed.