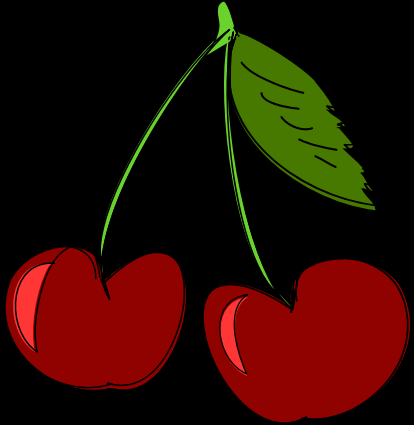


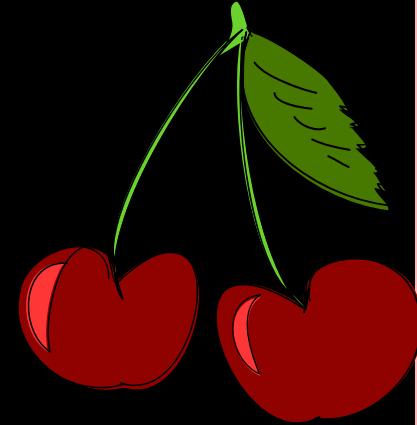
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A tool for writing body paragraphs



Point

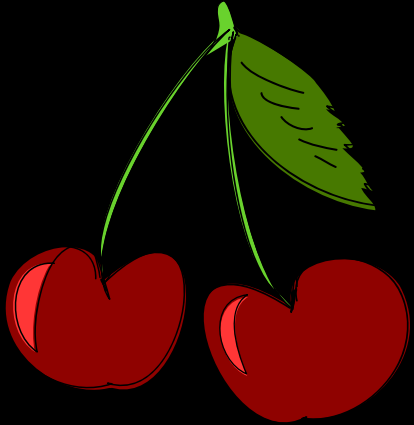


The point is your idea.

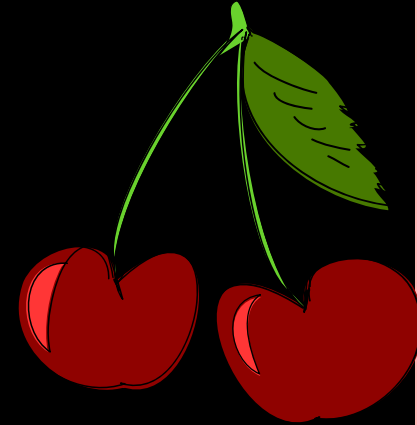
It interprets the text or topic, states your opinion, and relates directly back to the thesis.

Do not simply say what you read.

Should be one or two sentences.

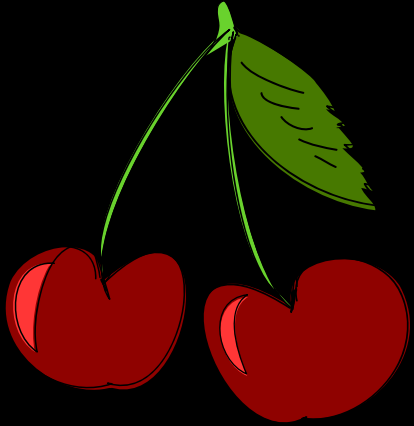


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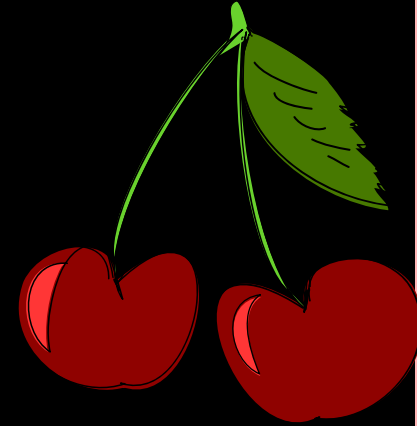


An illustration comes out of your reading.

Quote or paraphrase the text or describe a specific fact to prove your point. Should be one or two sentences.



Explain



The explanation is your idea. Show how your point and your illustration fit together. Refine and clarify the point in light of the illustration. Should be the longest part.