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Practice with
Writer's Craft

Use: Topic Sentence and Order of Details

Before you write a problem-solution paragraph, you should write a topic sentence that states the problem and note the details that would lead to a solution. Here's how one student planned to write about a holiday problem.

Example **Topic Sentence:** *Thanksgiving Day was one week away, and my family had no plan for serving the 30 people who were coming to dinner.*

Detail 1: <i>Everyone took action.</i>	Detail 2: <i>First, I made a list of the foods.</i>	Detail 3: <i>Dad and brother located folding tables and chairs.</i>	Solution: <i>We ended up with just enough chairs, but more than enough food.</i>
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- A. Think about a problem that you, someone you know, or someone you have read about has had. Write a topic sentence stating the problem. Then fill out the chart.

My Topic Sentence _____

Detail 1:	Detail 2:	Detail 3:	Solution:

- B. Use information from the chart to describe a problem and its solution. Do your writing on a separate sheet of paper?