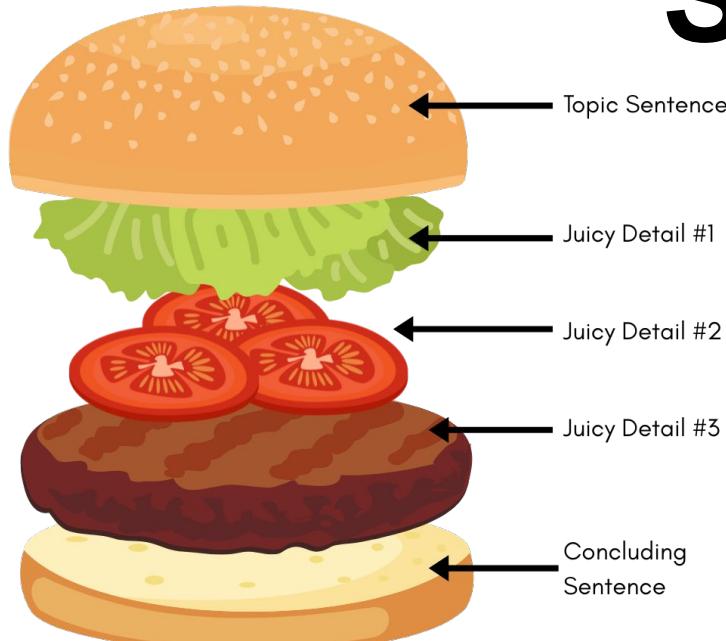
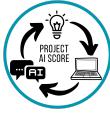


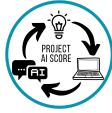
# The Hamburger Writing Strategy





# What's on the Writing Menu?

- Hamburger Writing Strategy.
- Organize your ideas like the layers of a hamburger.



# Purpose of the Hamburger Strategy

- Helps you plan your writing
- Shows how your ideas all fit together
- Tell if your ideas are strong or weak
  - Juicy or plain burgers
- Makes writing easier
- Improves your writing

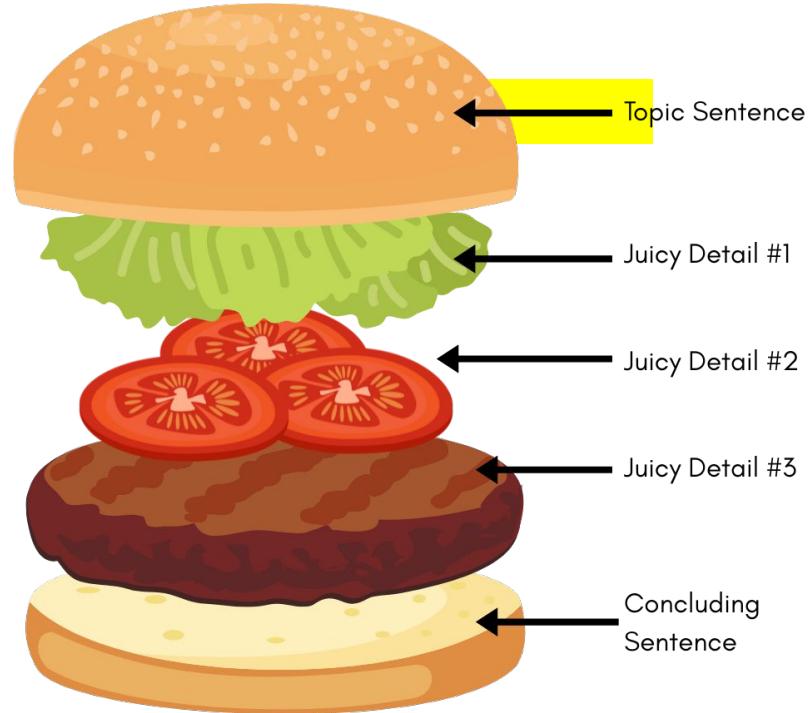


# Top Bun: Topic Sentence

- Introduces the main idea of your paragraph
- Broad enough to cover all your details (like a bun covers all of the burger)

You can ask yourself:

*What is the main idea I want to share?*



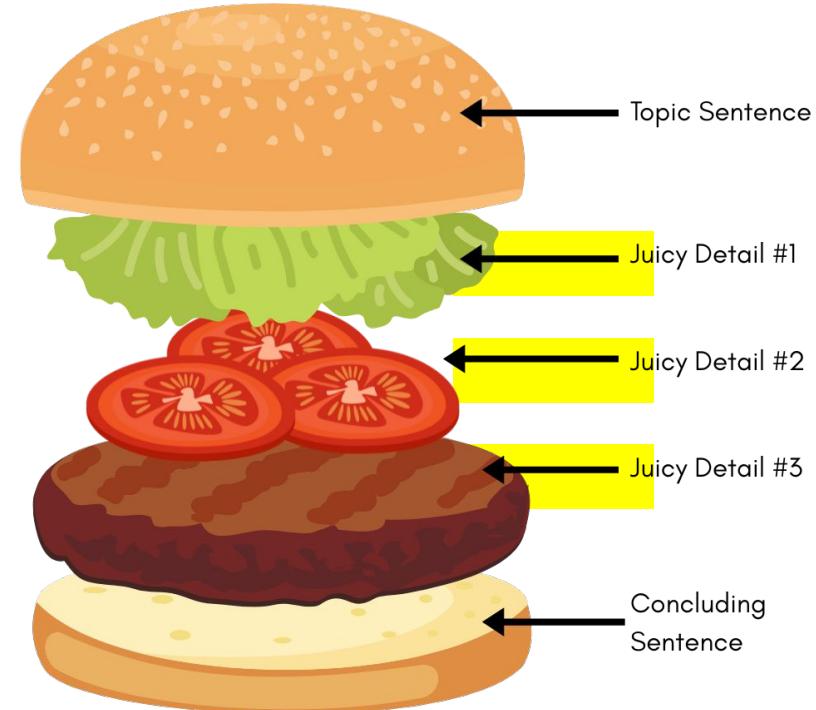


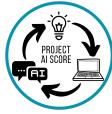
# Juicy Details

- Supporting details for your main idea
  - Examples
  - Facts
  - Reasons
- Aim for at least 3 "juicy" details

You can ask yourself:

*What detail, fact, or example do I want to share that supports my main idea?*





# Tips to Write Interesting Details

- Use at least 3 details
- Each detail is a different example or fact about the main idea
- Use transitions (ex. in addition, next) at the start of each new detail

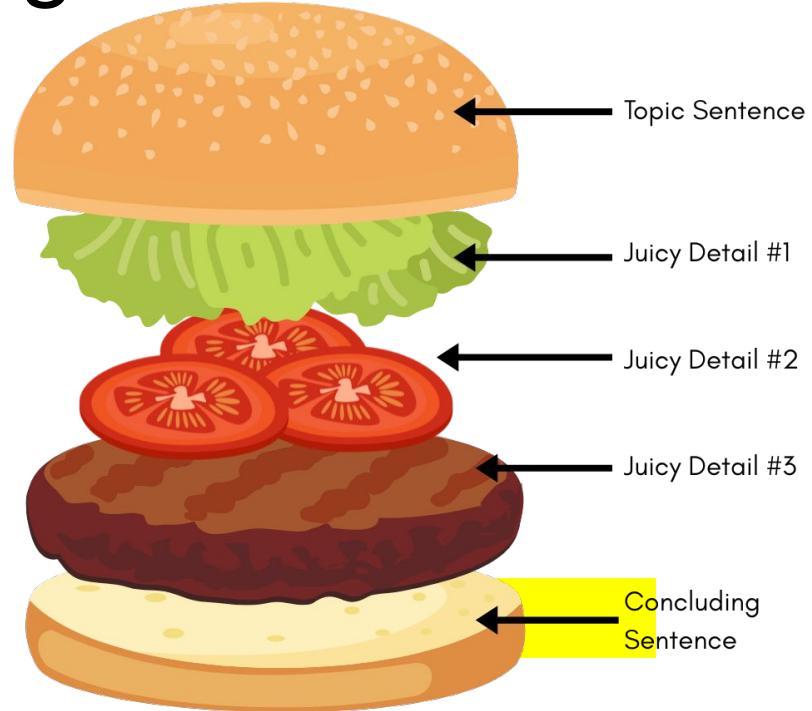


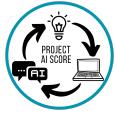
# Bottom Bun: Concluding Sentence

- Wraps up your paragraph
- Restates your main idea in a different way
- Leave your reader feeling satisfied

You can ask yourself:

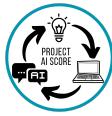
*How can I wrap up the paragraph clearly?*





# Now it's time to use the Hamburger Writing Strategy!

Writing prompt: Write an informational paragraph about an animal of your choosing



## Top Bun: Topic Sentence

Ask yourself: *What is the main idea I want to write about?*

### Juicy Detail #1

Ask yourself: *What detail, fact, or example do I want to share that supports my main idea?*

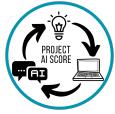
### Juicy Detail #2

Ask yourself: *What is another detail, fact, or example that I want to share that supports my main idea?*

# My topic: Cats

This is the graphic organizer we'll use





### Juicy Detail #3

*Ask yourself: What is one more detail, fact, or example that I want to share that supports my main idea?*

### Bottom Bun: Concluding Sentence

*Ask yourself: How can I wrap up the paragraph clearly?*

# My topic: Cats

This is the graphic organizer we'll use

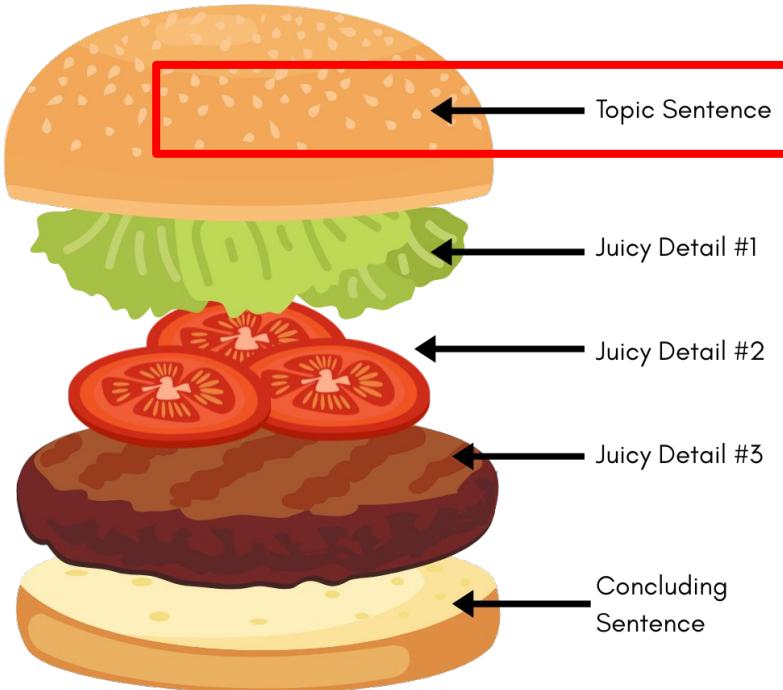




## Top Bun: Topic Sentence

*Ask yourself:  
What is the main  
idea I want to  
write about?*

Cats are  
impressive  
creatures.

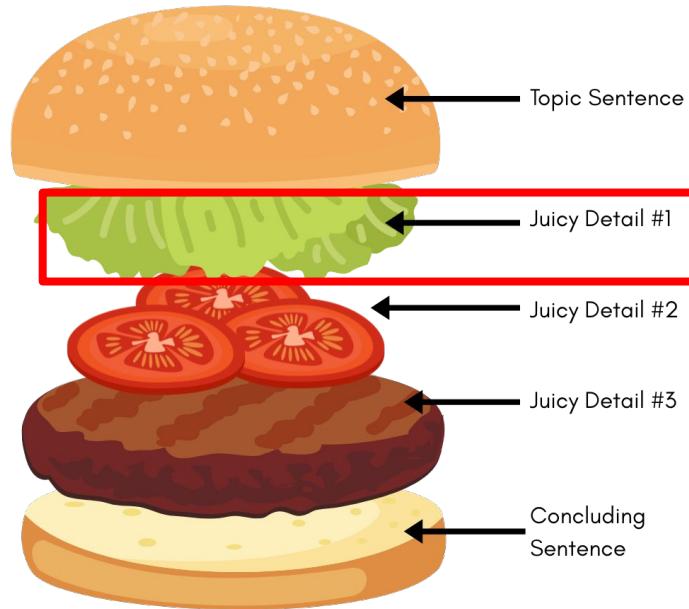




## Juicy Detail #1

*Ask yourself:  
What detail, fact,  
or example do I  
want to share that  
supports my main  
idea?*

To begin with, they are clean animals and even use a litter box without needing to be taught.

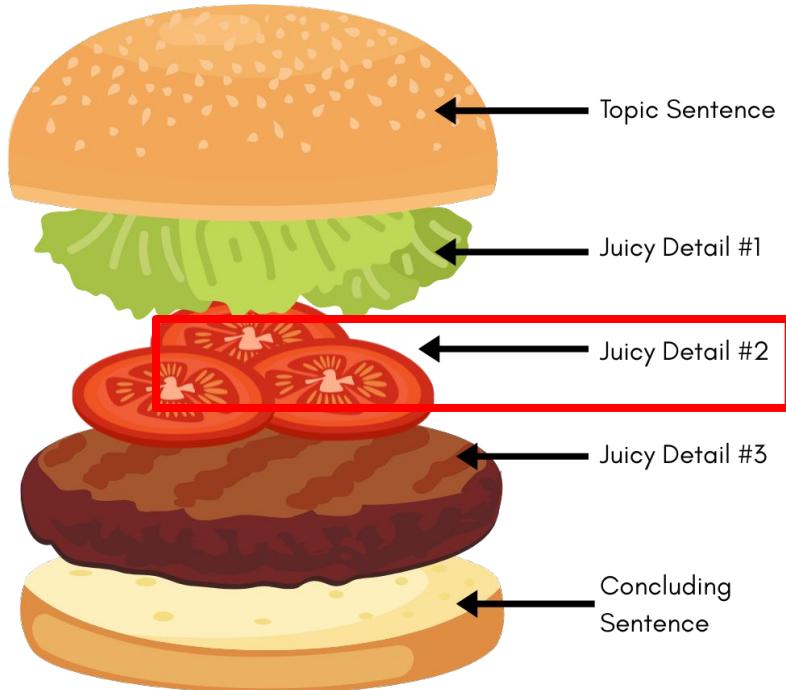




## Juicy Detail #2

*Ask yourself:  
What is another  
detail, fact, or  
example that I  
want to share  
that supports my  
main idea?*

Cats are also very independent, so they don't need constant attention but still love to cuddle.

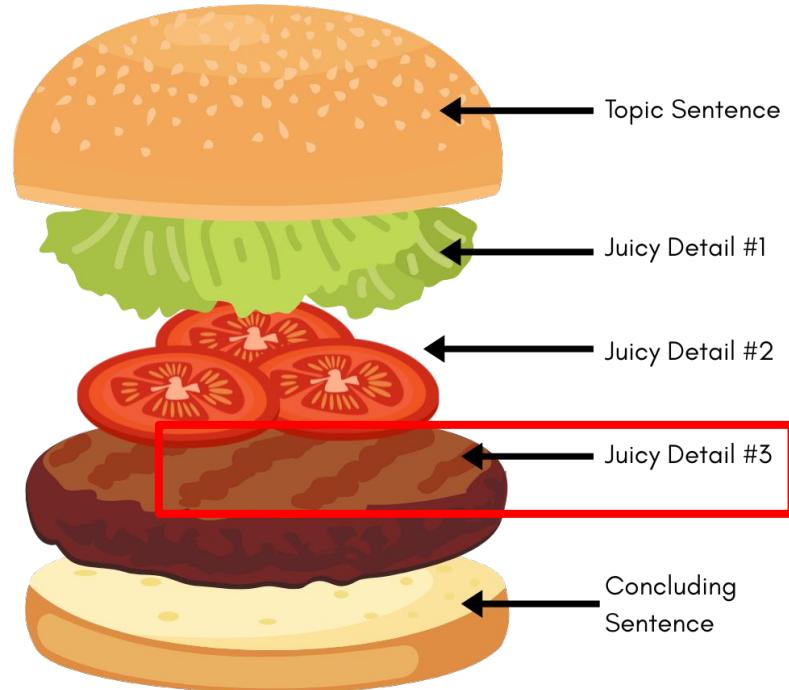




## Juicy Detail #3

*Ask yourself:  
What is one  
more detail, fact,  
or example that I  
want to share  
that supports my  
main idea?*

They can be playful, quiet, and even help reduce stress just by purring.

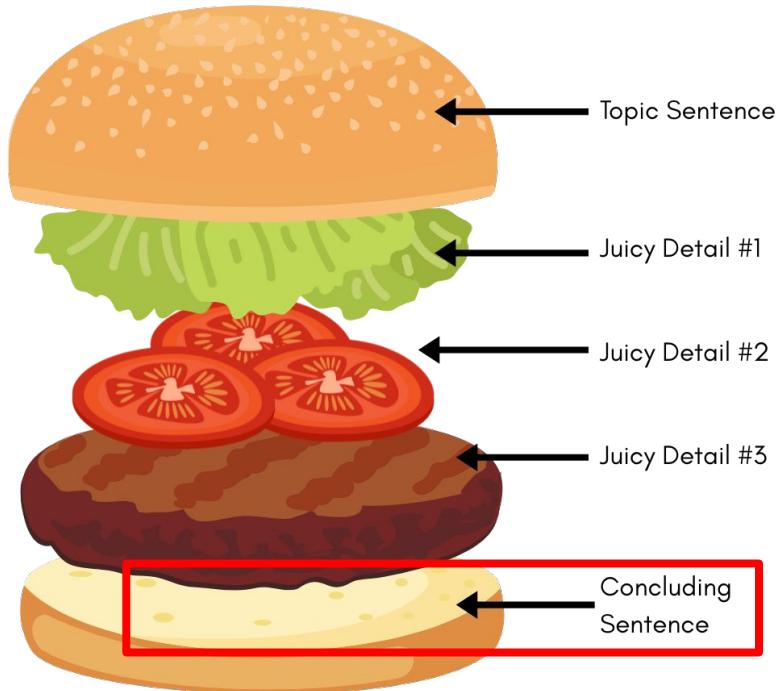




## Bottom Bun: Concluding Sentence

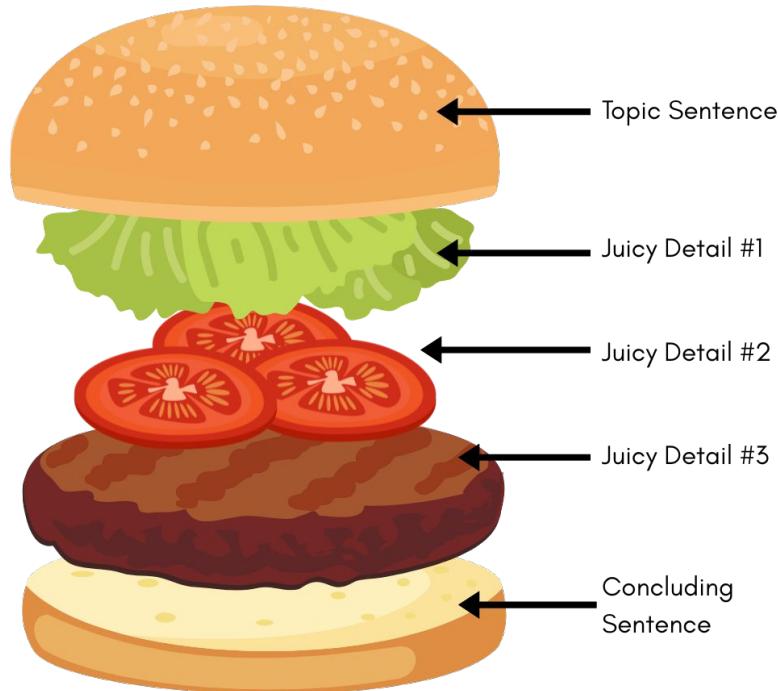
*Ask yourself:  
How can I wrap  
up the  
paragraph  
clearly?*

Without a doubt,  
cats' sweet and  
independent  
nature makes  
them fantastic  
animals.





<b>Top Bun: Topic Sentence</b>  <i>Ask yourself: What is the main idea I want to write about?</i>	Cats are impressive creatures.
<b>Juicy Detail #1</b>  <i>Ask yourself: What detail, fact, or example do I want to share that supports my main idea?</i>	To begin with, they are clean animals and even use a litter box without needing to be taught.
<b>Juicy Detail #2</b>  <i>Ask yourself: What is another detail, fact, or example that I want to share that supports my main idea?</i>	Cats are also very independent, so they don't need constant attention but still love to cuddle.
<b>Juicy Detail #3</b>  <i>Ask yourself: What is one more detail, fact, or example that I want to share that supports my main idea?</i>	They can be playful, quiet, and even help reduce stress just by purring.
<b>Bottom Bun: Concluding Sentence</b>  <i>Ask yourself: How can I wrap up the paragraph clearly?</i>	Without a doubt, cats' sweet and independent nature makes them fantastic animals.





# Your turn!

Now that we've practiced how to use the Hamburger writing strategy, it's your turn to give it a try!

Ideas for your informational paragraph about an animal:

- Elephants
- Dogs
- Cheetahs
- Another animal that interests you!