

Partner up and  
evaluate a peer's  
introductory  
paragraph!

Directions: Draw a smiley face if your answer to a question is "yes". Draw an unhappy face if your answer to a question is "no".

1. Does my partner's introduction get my attention?
2. Is it easy to find the main topic my partner's paper is presenting?
3. Is there some background information provided in my partner's introductory paragraph?
4. Is there a problem, which is identified along with details about how my partner's research paper will study and/or resolve the issue?
5. Is there a thesis statement embedded within my partner's opening paragraph?

Note: For any unhappy faces, be ready to discuss with your partner ways in which they can address the issues needed to enhance their introductory paragraph.