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Graphic Organiser Activity - 1

Instructions: Read the passage below and fill in the gaps using words in the box underneath. Then do the exercise.

Organise Your Writing

There are many ways to organise your ideas before _____. A graphic _____ is a way to organise _____ using shapes or pictures. A _____ is a type of graphic organiser. Graphic organisers are _____ because:

1. They help you _____ what ideas or comments go together.
2. They help you _____ information better.
3. They make it _____ to write your final draft.
4. They help _____ any type of writing.

There are lots of different kinds of _____ organisers. Some are better than others for particular _____ of writing. You can use graphic organisers for any writing task – just pick the kind you want to use.

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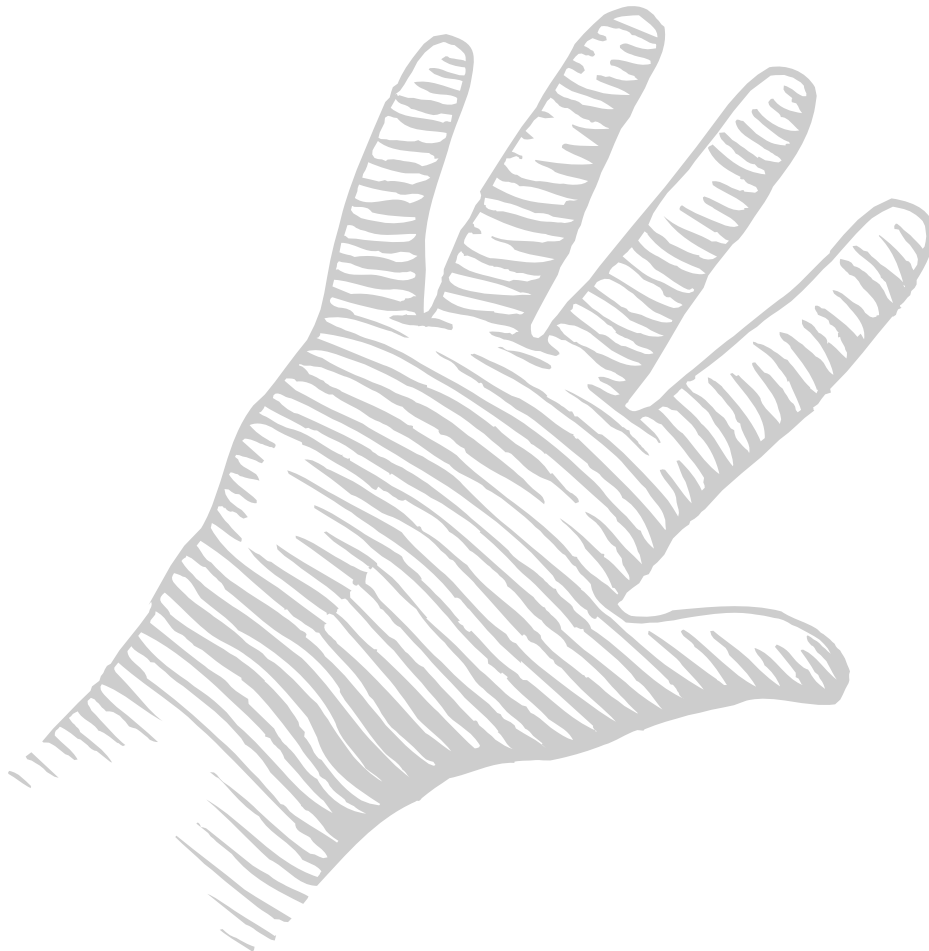
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Graphic Organiser Activity - 2

Exercise:

- Take a blank piece of paper and write "introduction" at the top. Now draw around your hand. At the bottom of the page write "finish" or "conclusion".
- Imagine you have to write an advert or travel magazine article to persuade people to come and visit your town.
- In the middle of the hand write the name of the town.
- On each finger, write something good about your town, in fewer than three words. Make it quite general like: friendly people, food, etc.
- OK. How long did that take? You've planned a 5 paragraph article in 5 minutes.

Well done!



Answer sheet:

Organise Your Writing

There are many ways to organise your ideas before writing. A graphic organiser is a way to organise information using shapes or pictures. A flowchart is a type of graphic organiser. Graphic organisers are helpful because:

1. They help you decide what ideas or comments go together.
2. They help you remember information better.
3. They make it easier to write your final draft.
4. They help organise any type of writing.

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