

Report Title

Introduction

Your introduction serves to tell your reader what your report is about. In this case, it's about your creature and the habitat it lives in. You may choose to define what an adaptation is (see your science dictionary). For your introduction, you may want to tell the reader what the common name of your creature is and its scientific nomenclature (the *Genus* and *species*). Other things that can be mentioned are its size, life expectancy, population size in Bowlily Lagoon, if it has any symbiotic relationships in the lagoon, etc... It's also a good idea to give your reader a sneak peak of what you'll be including in your report. You could do this by listing the features of the lagoon you'll be addressing (climate, oxygen levels, salinity, etc...) Some students choose to write their report from the perspective of a marine biologist or conservationist. If you decide to do something similar, then you'll want to set the tone right from the beginning of your introduction.

Subheadings (Climate, Oxygen, Salinity, pH, Food Sources, Predators, ect...)

Each section of your report will need a subheading. These are suggestions, but you can change them if you think of something more appropriate. Remember, each section will have its own paragraph and its own subheading. Each paragraph will need a topic sentence - in other words, what is this paragraph about. You should also mention the features of the habitat before mentioning the adaptation that allows your creature to survive in those conditions. Explain your creature's adaptation(s) in detail (not the adaptation of another animal). You may want to compare your animal to another, but don't strictly speak about the animal that inspired your choice for the adaptation. For example, perhaps your creature has a blowhole like a dolphin; don't tell me how dolphins survive by using this adaptation, tell me how your creature survives, much like a dolphin. Be sure to provide evidence (from your research) to backup your choice of adaptation.

Conclusion

A brief conclusion will end your report. Summarize the adaptations that help your creature to thrive in Bowlily Lagoon. Relist the adaptations and reiterate how important it is for an animal to have adaptations suited for their habitat.