

This paragraph is an example of a(n) **introduction paragraph**.

"Your life is your message to the world. Make sure it's inspiring"

(Anderson). One author who does a wonderful job inspiring others through her writing is JK Rowling. She does this by connecting her writing to her life. Rowling, like the characters in the story, went to a boarding school. In addition, she bases characters on people she has had experiences with in her own life.

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One way that Rowling connects her writing to her life is by creating characters based on people she knows. The best example of this is Professor Snape, the power-hungry teacher who likes to scare the children of Hogwarts. In an online interview, Rowling has admitted to modeling the character Severus Snape after Mrs. Morgan [one of her boarding school teachers], as well as a few other teachers who used fear as a source of power ("JK Rowling's Interview Transcript"). This quote supports the idea that Rowling connects her writing to her life by using characteristics of former teachers to mold her own characters. For instance, Rowling remembers Mrs. Morgan as being mean, so she used that characteristic when creating Mr. Snape. At one point in the story, Ron says, "I mean, everyone hates him!" (Rowling 37) when he is describing the children's feelings of Mr. Snape. This again shows that Rowling is using her memories of Mrs. Morgan's class to create similar feelings for the characters in her book; thus, connecting her writing to her life.

This paragraph is an example of a(n) conclusion paragraph.

In conclusion, JK Rowling uses her own life in her writing to create real experiences for the reader. When you sit down to read a book or write a story, it's hard not to connect writing to life. Life can influence so many things, reading and writing is just one of them. Next time you sit down to write, remember to inspire others and make your message to the world count.

Parts of the conclusion paragraph

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Memorable Ending

