Answers for Exercise #1: Outlining a Paragraph
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The following sentences need to be described and re-arranged into a logical paragraph order. For each sentence, on the line furthest to the left, write TS for the topic sentence, SP for a supporting point, D for details, and C for the concluding sentence. Then add numbers to show which sentence should be first, which sentence should be second, etc.

The parents are smiling every time they smell or taste tomato sauce as they enjoy pizza, fries, and tomato soup with their children.

D 8

The sun’s rays then move throughout the room, enhancing the shiny appearance of the appliances.

SP 4

The yellow colors of the windows’ curtains are so bright that they seem to be beckoning for the light from the sun to enter.

SP 2

The refrigerator also appears warm; its stainless steel appearance is brightened by its photos.

D 6

The sun shines through the window, and its rays make the curtains look even more radiant.

SP 3

The son and the daughter are placing extra cheese on the top of one of the pizzas as they talk about their wonderful day at school.

D 9

The kitchen feels warm because of its bright windows, shiny appliances, and smiling people.

TS 1

While eating supper, everyone is smiling at the warmth of the sun, the brightness of the appliances, and the chance to interact with each other.

C 10

The shiny stainless steel stove not only looks warm but also feels warm because it was used to cook some food for supper.

D 5

The smiles in the photos are as happy as the smiles of the people seated around the table.

SP 7