## **Elaborate Your Argument**

Use a **PARAGRAPH SUPPORT** to develop each paragraph that elaborates the argument or claim of your essay. This diagram is helpful for persuasive writing.

## **EXERCISE**

Fill out a paragraph support for one paragraph in your essay. Start by writing a topic sentence that strongly states the point you want to make. Next back up that point with supporting evidence and any details that elaborate the evidence. Then refer to the completed paragraph support as you draft this paragraph of your essay.

that states your point
Supporting evidence 2
Elaboration of evidence
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