•Hi John,

•Hello John,

•Dear John,

## First Paragraph

- •It's nice / great / good to hear from you.
- •It's nice / great / good to read your email.
- •I'm glad to hear your news.
- •I'm excited about... (your news.)
- •It's great to hear that...
- •I'm sorry to hear that...
- •I'm really sorry to read your news.
- •It was good to receive your email.
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- ++++ Hope you are doing well.

•How's it going?

•How are you (doing)?

•How are things (going)?

## Paragraph 2 and 3

... and...: to connect two similar things or ideas.

*I love reading and listening to music. My favourite meal is fish and chips.* 

- •..., but...: to connect two contrasting ideas. I love watching Tv, but I don't have a favourite show. I am reading a book, but I don't remember the title.
- •. However, ...: to connect contrasting ideas. Last month, I went to the cinema. However, I didn't enjoy the movie. I am a very big fan of this author. However, I haven't read his last novel.
- •*Moreover,* ... : to add more information about something.
- •... because...: to justify an opinion or idea. My mum is the perfect cook because she knows a lot of recipes and has plenty of experience. Moreover, she experiments with different ingredients all the time.

•. Because of that, ...: to justify an opinion, fact or idea. My mum likes to cook using new ingredients all the time. Because of that, she creates original dishes every month.

•. As for ... / Regarding ... : to switch to a new topic. For instance, you can use this connector to start the second main paragraph.

As for/Regarding why I like this cookery show, I think it's because it's a great way to see new recipes.

•Time linkers: then, after that, yesterday, this morning, last summer, etc.

Last night, I watched a very good action film.

With many connectors, we typically use a comma (,) after it when we start a sentence (e.g.: *However, Last night, Moreover, etc.*).

## **Closing paragraph**

Well, it's time to say goodbye.

•Anyway, I have to go now.

- •I really hope to hear from you soon.
- •I'm looking forward to hearing from you.
- •I hope you write back soon.

## Saying Goodbye

- •Best wishes,
- •Best,
- •Sincerely,
- •Take care,
- •All my love,
- •Love,
- •Lots of love,
- •See you soon,
- •Regards,