

## Expository Writing FCAs

- Paragraph #1 Introduction **stating main idea**.
- Paragraph #2 **One physical feature/structure** of the animal with **supporting text evidence** and **elaborations** explaining how it can help the animal to survive.
- Paragraph #3 **One physical feature/structure** of the animal with **supporting text evidence** and **elaborations** explaining how it can help the animal to survive.
- Paragraph #4 **One physical feature/structure** of the animal with **supporting text evidence** and **elaborations** explaining how it can help the animal to survive.
- Paragraph #5 Closing **restating main idea**.

Kangaroos have many structures that help them survive. Their pouch, strong hind legs and tails are important to them.

First of all, a kangaroo has a pouch. The pouch carries their joeys. The text evidence states "after the joey is born it crawls into a pouch on the mothers stomach. It stays there for several weeks." The pouch is useful because it keeps its joeys safe from predators. Without a doubt their pouches are important.

The next adaptation is a kangaroos strong hind legs. Their hind legs help them jump long distances. The text says, "They have long powerful back legs that are good for jumping." Kangaroo travel 30 feet in a simple jump. Wouldn't you agree that their hind legs are powerful?

Lastly, kangaroos have a tail. Their tails help them balance when they lean back. The text says, "They balance themselves with their long, thick tails while jumping." Kangaroos tails help them

stand up so they do not fall.

As you can see, kangaroos have many structures that help them survive.