## **Opinion Paragraph Example**

Please label the below paragraph with these characteristics:

- 1. Topic statement with the writer's opinion
- 2. Three reasons that support the opinion
- 3. Concluding statement that summarizes the opinion

Staying safe during the cold, wintery months may be quite different from staying safe during the rest of the year. Winter can be an extremely cold season, and for this reason, it is important to make sure you are dressed appropriately. If it is very cold outside, you should wear a hat, mittens (or gloves) and a scarf. You should also make sure to layer your clothes. Wearing appropriate clothing will ensure that you do not get frostbite or hypothermia. With the cold weather, winter also brings shorter days, which means that it will get darker earlier. To stay safe, people should make sure to wear bright clothing and carry a flashlight if they are going for a walk in the early evening. If you are driving, stay extra alert for people walking on crosswalks and pets on leashes. Finally, the roads and sidewalks can get very icy during the winter. People should make sure to wear shoes with a good grip and to watch out for black ice. Winter is a wonderful time of year for fun and festivity, but it is definitely a season people need to stay warm, alert and careful.