## Tips: Writing an Opinion Paragraph

1. Turn the question or prompt into a statement:

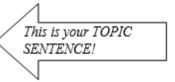
## **Question:**

Why is it important to learn about other cultures?

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## **Statement:**

It is important to learn about other cultures.



- 1. Draw a chart just like the one below.
- 2. List the five senses one in each row and jot down what pops into your mind, OR choose one sense and jot down what you associate with the season and the sense:

Sight	Diverse people, international dancing, imported items (cars, food, clothing,
	etc,)
Sound	International music; languages other than English spoken
Smell	Ethnic food (pasta, samosa, ginger, pineapple, etc.)
Touch	Imported items (cars, food, clothing, etc,)
Taste	Ethnic and imported foods

- 3. Use the information in **ONE** of the boxes. Include examples.
- 4. Begin with your topic sentence and write the short paragraph.