

# Put Reasons in Order

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When you use reasons to persuade readers or to explain your opinion, **put the reasons in order**. You might begin with your least important reason and end with your most important reason. You can signal your most important reason with a phrase such as *best of all* or *most important*.

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**Directions** Read the first sentence of each paragraph and the reasons that support it. Put the number *1*, *2*, or *3* by each reason to show the best order for it in the paragraph.

1. You should eat green vegetables as often as possible.

\_\_\_\_\_ Most important, green vegetables have many vitamins that will make you healthy.

\_\_\_\_\_ First of all, green vegetables look bright and colorful on the dinner table.

\_\_\_\_\_ In addition, there are many delicious recipes for green vegetables.

2. Try baking your own breads and rolls at home.

\_\_\_\_\_ Baking bread fills your home with wonderful aromas.

\_\_\_\_\_ Best of all, baked goods are delicious treats for your family and friends.

\_\_\_\_\_ Better yet, baking is fun and creative.

3. Making a meal for friends can be fun.

\_\_\_\_\_ You can make healthful foods for everyone's enjoyment.

\_\_\_\_\_ Best of all, baked goods are delicious treats for your family and friends.

\_\_\_\_\_ Better yet, baking is fun and creative.