

Outline form for 5 paragraph essay

I. Introduction

- A. Hook (question, quote, imagery, interesting statement)
- B. At least three supporting sentences to transition from hook to thesis
- C. Thesis statement (what are you trying to prove/explain):

II. Body Paragraph One

- A. Topic Sentence 1(subtopic or subclaim; main idea for paragraph)
 - 1. Evidence A (examples/facts/quotes/details)
Explanation of evidence A
 - 2. Evidence B (examples/facts/quotes/details)
Explanation of evidence B
- B. Concluding Sentence (restate main idea of paragraph & transition to next paragraph)

III. Body Paragraph Two

- A. Topic Sentence 2 (subtopic or subclaim; main idea for paragraph)
 - 1. Evidence A (examples/facts/quotes/details)
Explanation of evidence A
 - 2. Evidence B (examples/facts/quotes/details)
Explanation of evidence B
- B. Concluding Sentence (restate main idea of paragraph & transition to next paragraph)

IV. Body Paragraph Three

- A. Topic Sentence 3 (subtopic or subclaim; main idea for paragraph)
 - 1. Evidence A (examples/facts/quotes/details)
Explanation of evidence A
 - 2. Evidence B (examples/facts/quotes/details)
Explanation of evidence B
- B. Concluding Sentence (restate main idea of paragraph & transition to next paragraph)

V. Concluding Paragraph

- A. Reconfirm your argument/explanation
- B. Summarize/Restate your topic and subtopics, recounting how you have proven/explained it
- C. An idea to end essay – possibly a solution, challenge, or next steps