

Informative Essay Outline High School

1. Introduction

- A. Hook (get your reader interested!)
- B. Explain your hook with background information
- C. State your thesis: answer the prompt question and list your three main points to back it up.

2. Body paragraph 1

- A. Topic sentence: What is this paragraph about? (it will be about your first main point in your thesis statement)
- B. Supporting detail (research)
- C. Supporting detail (research)
- D. Supporting detail (research)
- E. Transition sentence: How does this lead to the second point in your thesis statement?

3. Body paragraph 2

- A. Topic sentence: What is this paragraph about? (it will be about your second main point in your thesis statement)
- B. Supporting detail (research)
- C. Supporting detail (research)
- D. Supporting detail (research)
- E. Transition sentence: How does this lead to the third point in your thesis statement?

4. Body paragraph 3

- A. Topic sentence: What is this paragraph about? (it will be about your third main point in your thesis statement)
- B. Supporting detail (research)
- C. Supporting detail (research)
- D. Supporting detail (research)
- E. Concluding statement (wrap it up)

5. Conclusion (do not use any new information in this paragraph)

- A. Restate your thesis statement
- B. Summarize your main points
- C. Wrap it up! Tell your reader your final impression or thoughts on the topic.

Bibliography (list your sources in alphabetical order using this frame) Remember! You will need AT LEAST three sources listed this way!

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