

Expository or Persuasive Essay Outline

An essay is a reflection of an engaged intellect.

Name: _____ Striking Essay Title: _____

<p>INTRODUCTION (Beginning Paragraph)</p> <p>Compelling lead statement: _____ _____</p> <p>THREE main points you will use in the body of your essay to support your thesis (write out in full):</p> <p>1. _____ _____</p> <p>2. _____ _____</p> <p>3. _____ _____</p> <p>Your THESIS statement (write out in full): _____ _____</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• is your title and opening lead statement engaging and not predictable?• have you used the appropriate punctuation for the title of your literary work and mentioned the author's name?• does your thesis statement come at the end of your introductory paragraph?• is your thesis statement debatable/ 'meaty'?• does your introductory paragraph go from general to specific in structure (like an inverted triangle)?
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<p>BODY PARAGRAPH (First Middle Paragraph)</p> <p>Topic Sentence (write out in full): _____ _____</p> <p>Evidence (usually textual proof) to support your topic sentence (write out in point form):</p> <p>1. _____ _____</p> <p>2. _____ _____</p> <p>3. _____ _____</p> <p>Quotation(s) from text to support your topic sentence (if required): _____ _____</p> <p>Transitional word or phrase: _____</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• are your topic sentences debatable (not a fact, question, or quotation)?• if applicable, are your quotations smoothly integrated into your own sentences and have you referenced your source?• is your choice of vocabulary sophisticated, vivid, and engaging?• In your body paragraphs, do you present your weakest points first and build up to your strongest points (this is whether your points are sentences or paragraphs)?• do you support your topic sentences with facts, examples, anecdotes, and opinions?• do you support your topic sentences with facts, examples, anecdotes, and opinions?• do you use transition words or phrases to move your reader from one paragraph to another?
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BODY PARAGRAPH (Another Middle Paragraph)

Topic Sentence (write out in full): _____

Evidence (usually textual proof) to support your topic sentence (write out in point form):

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2. _____

3. _____

Quotation(s) from text to support your topic sentence (if required): _____

Transitional word or phrase: _____

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<p>CONCLUSION (End Paragraph)</p> <p>Restate THESIS in a new and original way (write out in full): _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Statement of relevance/significance: _____ _____ _____</p> <p>A memorable 'zinger' of a concluding sentence: _____ _____ _____</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• do you restate your thesis in a new or original way in your conclusion?• have you made sure that you've introduced no new ideas/ support in your conclusion?• have you included a statement of relevance that leaves the reader thinking of any connections between your thesis statement and the world beyond your essay?• have you tied your key ideas together and drawn a final conclusion?• do you leave your reader with a lasting image in your concluding sentence?
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