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Essay Structure Template

*This form is designed to be used as a template/outline for your essay. The thesis sentence, as well as, the topic and concluding sentences for each body paragraph should be written as complete sentences, however, the rest of the chart may be in note/bullet format. See the "Writing Guidelines" packet for more information. You should write/type directly into this form.

Identification of the essay prompt (What will be the main focus of your essay?):

Introduction Paragraph

Introduction "hook" statement (How will you quickly capture the attention of your reader?):

Definition of terms/ideas in your introduction (What does the reader need to know before reading your essay?):

Thesis sentence (includes all three body paragraph topics, which must relate directly to the prompt):

Body Paragraph One

<u>Body paragraph #1 topic sentence:</u>		
<u>Example #1: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence#1: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis#1: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Example #2: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence #2: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis #2: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Example #3: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence #3: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis #3: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Concluding sentence: (summarize and end the paragraph for the reader)</u>		

Body Paragraph Two

<u>Body paragraph #2 topic sentence:</u>		
<u>Example #1: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence #1: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis #1: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Example #2: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence #2: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis #2: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Example #3: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence #3: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis #3: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Concluding sentence: (summarize and end the paragraph for the reader)</u>		

Body Paragraph Three

<u>Body paragraph #3 topic sentence:</u>		
<u>Example #1: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence #1: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis #1: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Example #2: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence #2: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis #2: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Example #3: (relates to the topic sentence)</u>	<u>Evidence #3: (fact, quote, citation, etc.)</u>	<u>Analysis #3: (How does the argument prove your point?)</u>
<u>Concluding sentence: (summarize and end the paragraph for the reader)</u>		

Conclusion Paragraph

Concluding statement (summarize the main point of your essay without adding any additional information):

Summarize the main point of body paragraph 1:

Summarize the main point of body paragraph 2:

Summarize the main point of body paragraph 3:

Clincher sentence (the final thought you want your reader to “take-away” from your essay):

Works Cited

Be sure to identify, by number, which source is used for each evidence given in the body paragraphs above.

Source #1:

Source #2:

Source #3:

Source #4: