**Intro**:

1. Immediately engage reader (**attention getter**)

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1. Establish **context** (topic of essay)

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1. Strong & complete **thesis statement: What is your stance on this issue**

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**1st Body Para**: **Supporting Your Thesis**

* Topic Sentence

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* Use **concrete detail 1** **(CD)**

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| Source: |

* Insightful **commentary**

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* Use **concrete detail 2** **(CD)**

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| Source: |

* Insightful **commentary**

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* Concluding sentence that relates to thesis

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**2nd Body Para**: **Supporting Your Thesis**

* Topic Sentence

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* Use **concrete detail 1** **(CD)**

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* Insightful **commentary**

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* Use **concrete detail 2** **(CD)**

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* Insightful **commentary**

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* Concluding sentence that relates to thesis

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**3rd Body Para: Address Opposition**

* Topic Sentence **(addressing what those who are against your stance might think, or say to argue your stance)**

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* Rebuttal Defending your thesis

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* Use **concrete detail**  **(CD)**

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* Insightful **commentary**

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* Concluding sentence that relates to thesis

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**Conclusion**:   
\*Transition into summary of key points

\*Restate thesis (say it another way!)

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\*Answer “So what?”

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