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Essay Planner: Topic/ Title \_\_\_\_\_

### Introduction Paragraph

<p><b>Hook:</b> This should draw your reader in and make them interested in your paper.</p> <p>Possible hooks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Personal Anecdote</li><li>● Quote from the book</li><li>● Shocking statement</li></ul>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Introduce the text you will be writing about.</p> <p>Make sure you include the Title (Always <u>Underline</u> or <i>Italicize</i> the title of a book) and the name of the author.</p> <p>Briefly summarize what the story is about (1-2 sentences). Stick to ideas that build up to your thesis.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>Thesis statement:</b> Your thesis is your argument for your whole paper. Tell your reader exactly what the point(s) is/are that you are going to prove in the essay.</p> <p>It should be edgy enough to be worth defending.</p> <p>Do not give specific details yet!</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

### Body Paragraph #1:

<p><b>POINT (Topic Sentence):</b> State the main point of this paragraph. Make sure that this reflects the <b>first point of your thesis</b> statement.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>Background/Context:</b> You must know your quote before you write this. The context sets up your quote by telling the reader what is happening in the story. It helps the reader understand where the evidence comes from.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>EVIDENCE</b> (Quote from the story): Here, locate specific textual evidence that <b>PROVES</b> the point of your topic sentence. It should be a meaningful passage worthy of in-depth discussion.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Page # the quote comes from: (____).</p>
<p><b>Analysis:</b> <i>This should be the longest part of your paragraph.</i></p> <p>Here, explain how your quote supports your topic and theme, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>What</b> does it mean?</li><li>● <b>Why</b> your quote is significant</li><li>● <b>What</b> conclusions can be drawn from your quote</li><li>● <b>How</b> does your evidence support your point?</li></ul> <p>OR any other analysis you can offer!</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>So What?</b> Make an insightful connection to your thesis. Make a strong statement, and show why this paragraph matters.</p>	<hr/> <hr/>

## Body Paragraph #2:

<p><b>POINT (Topic Sentence):</b> State the main point of this paragraph. Make sure that this reflects the <b>second point of your thesis</b> statement.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>Background/Context:</b> You must know your quote before you write this. The context sets up your quote by telling the reader what is happening in the story. It helps the reader understand where the evidence comes from.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>EVIDENCE</b> (Quote from the story): Here, locate specific textual evidence that <b>PROVES</b> the point of your topic sentence. It should be a meaningful passage worthy of in-depth discussion.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Page # the quote comes from: (____).</p>
<p><b>Analysis:</b> <i>This should be the longest part of your paragraph.</i></p> <p>Here, explain how your quote supports your topic and theme, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>What</b> does it mean?</li><li>• <b>Why</b> your quote is significant</li><li>• <b>What</b> conclusions can be drawn from your quote</li><li>• <b>How</b> does your evidence support your point?</li></ul> <p>OR any other analysis you can offer!</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>So What?</b> Make an insightful connection to your thesis. Make a strong statement, and show why this paragraph matters.</p>	<hr/> <hr/>

### Body Paragraph #3:

<p><b>POINT (Topic Sentence):</b> State the main point of this paragraph. Make sure that this reflects the <b>third point of your thesis</b> statement.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>Background/Context:</b> You must know your quote before you write this. The context sets up your quote by telling the reader what is happening in the story. It helps the reader understand where the evidence comes from.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><b>EVIDENCE</b> (Quote from the story): Here, locate specific textual evidence that <b>PROVES</b> the point of your topic sentence. It should be a meaningful passage worthy of in-depth discussion.</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Page # the quote comes from: (____).</p>
<p><b>Analysis:</b> <i>This should be the longest part of your paragraph.</i></p> <p>Here, explain how your quote supports your topic and theme, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>What</b> does it mean?</li><li>• <b>Why</b> your quote is significant</li><li>• <b>What</b> conclusions can be drawn from your quote</li><li>• <b>How</b> does your evidence support your point?</li></ul> <p>OR any other analysis you can offer!</p>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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