

# FORM FOR PLANNING AN ESSAY

To write an effective essay, first prepare an outline, using a form like the one below.

Introduction

THESIS STATEMENT \_\_\_\_\_  
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Topic Sentence 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Specific } a. \_\_\_\_\_  
Supporting } b. \_\_\_\_\_  
Evidence } c. \_\_\_\_\_

Body Paragraphs

Topic Sentence 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Specific } a. \_\_\_\_\_  
Supporting } b. \_\_\_\_\_  
Evidence } c. \_\_\_\_\_

Topic Sentence 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Specific } a. \_\_\_\_\_  
Supporting } b. \_\_\_\_\_  
Evidence } c. \_\_\_\_\_

Conclusion

Summary and/or Closing Remarks \_\_\_\_\_  
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