Essay Outline Template

This template provides a starting point for a five-paragraph essay. Please note that essays may contain more than three body paragraphs, and this is just one example out of endless essay types.

Introduction

- Attention grabber
- Introduce and provide context to your topic
- Thesis statement

Body paragraph 1

- Topic sentence
- Support point 1
 - o Example(s)
 - Transition to next point
- Support point 2
 - o Example(s)
 - o Transition to next point
- Support point 3
 - Example(s)
- Concluding sentence

Body paragraph 2

- Topic sentence
- Support point 1
 - o Example(s)
 - Transition to next point

- Support point 2
 - o Example(s)
 - o Transition to next point
- Support point 3
 - o Example(s)
- Concluding sentence

Body paragraph 3

- Topic sentence
- Support point 1
 - o Example(s)
 - o Transition to next point
- Support point 2
 - o Example(s)
 - o Transition to next point
- Support point 3
 - o Example(s)
- Concluding sentence

Conclusion

- Rephrase your thesis statement
- Review your major points in the order you presented them
- Leave the reader with something to think about