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How to write one really big essay.....

**Introductory Paragraph: This is what each sentence will do. No quotes in your intro.**

1. Topic Sentence:
2. Thesis Sentence:
3. This sentence will introduce your first main point.
  4. This sentence will mention the three proofs you will use to prove your 1st main point.
5. This sentence will introduce your second main point.
  6. This sentence will mention the three proofs you will use to prove your 2nd main point.
7. This sentence will introduce your third main point.
  8. This sentence will mention the three proofs you will use to prove your 3rd main point.
9. This is a transition sentence to rest of your essay.

Now comes the hard part and a disclaimer. This outline/template is a rough guide. It is elastic. It can shrink or expand depending on the length of essay that is needed. It is based on the same principles as a 5 paragraph essay. Essentially you need to break up your essay into as many small essays as are needed. This is done so that you will focus on the sub-point at hand and not try to “prove” your thesis in every paragraph. The sum of your paragraphs proves your thesis, but each individual paragraph’s focuses is on the minor point you are trying to explain/prove.

So, no, you are *not* really writing a whole bunch of 5 paragraph essays because there is only room for one Intro and Conclusion paragraph in your essay, the first and last paragraph only.

What you are doing is grouping your essay into different parts and using the 3 body paragraphs from a 5 para essay to do this.

So, once again, you do not have an intro and conclusion paragraph for every sub-point you are trying to prove. But, every sub-point should have 2 or three paragraphs’s to support your research.

Essay writing is not an exact science, but it does require specific organization.

Look at Example A for a basic Essay format. This format can be unzipped (like in example B).

Then look at the Example B: It is a modified or un-zipped example A.

**Body Organization of Essay Paragraphs: This is a template only and can be further elaborated on...**

- **Main Point 1:** Mention your main point here.

Then mention the **three sub-points** you developed.

Find a quote to back up what you are trying to do here

For the rest of the paragraph, follow proper paragraph format

**Sub-point 1:** Mention it here and attach it to the first paragraph (A) of this section

**A) 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph :** minor point 1 that proves your subpoint

**B) 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph:** minor point 2 that proves your subpoint

**C) 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph :** minor point 3 that proves your subpoint

- **Main Point 2:** Mention your main point here.

Then mention the **three sub-points** you developed.

Find a quote to back up what you are trying to do here

For the rest of the paragraph, follow proper paragraph format

**Sub-point 1:** Mention it here and attach it to the first paragraph (A) of this section

**A) 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph :** minor point 1 that proves your subpoint

**B) 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph:** minor point 2 that proves your subpoint

**C) 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph :** minor point 3 that proves your subpoint

- **Main Point 2:** Mention your main point here.

Then mention the **three sub-points** you developed.

Find a quote to back up what you are trying to do here

For the rest of the paragraph, follow proper paragraph format

**Sub-point 1:** Mention it here and attach it to the first paragraph (A) of this section

**A) 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph :** minor point 1 that proves your subpoint

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**C) 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph :** minor point 3 that proves your subpoint

**Conclusion Paragraph:**

This will consist of one sentence that represents the major and minor points in your essay.

It should never be greater than 12 sentences and include no quotes or new information.

*Example B: Major Essay Paper: It is based on the 5 paragraph model but expanded. It could be expanded as required.*

**Body Organization of Essay Paragraphs: This is a template only and can be further elaborated on...**

- **Para: Main Point 1:** Mention your main point here.
  - Then mention the **three sub-points** you developed.
  - Find a quote to back up what you are trying to do here
  - For the rest of the paragraph, follow proper paragraph format
- Para: Sub-point 1:** Mention it here and attach it to the first paragraph (A)of this section
  - A)1<sup>st</sup> Minor point :** minor point 1 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
  - B) 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph:** minor point 2 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
  - C) 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph :**minor point 3 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
- **Main Point 2:** Mention your main point here.
  - Then mention the **three sub-points** you developed.
  - Find a quote to back up what you are trying to do here
  - For the rest of the paragraph, follow proper paragraph format
- Sub-point 1:** Mention it here and attach it to the first paragraph (A)of this section
  - A)1<sup>st</sup> Minor point :** minor point 1 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
  - B) 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph:** minor point 2 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
  - C) 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph :**minor point 3 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
- **Main Point 3:** Mention your main point here.
  - Then mention the **three sub-points** you developed.
  - Find a quote to back up what you are trying to do here
  - For the rest of the paragraph, follow proper paragraph format
- Sub-point 1:** Mention it here and attach it to the first paragraph (A)of this section
  - A)1<sup>st</sup> Minor point :** minor point 1 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
  - B) 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph:** minor point 2 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
  - C) 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph :**minor point 3 that proves your subpoint
    - 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point -
    - 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point -

## Example C: Extra Large Research Paper : This is only Main Point 1 from Example B:....

### Body Organization of Essay Paragraphs:

This is only Main Point 1 from Example B. You would do the same for Main Point 2 etc....

**Para: Main Point 1:** Mention your main point here.

Then mention the **three sub-points** you developed.

Find a quote to back up what you are trying to do here

For the rest of the paragraph, follow proper paragraph format

**Para: Sub-point 1:** Mention it here and attach it to the first paragraph (A) of this section

**A) 1<sup>st</sup> Minor point :** minor point 1 that proves your subpoint

- 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.i - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.ii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.iii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
- 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.i - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.ii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.iii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
- 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.i - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.ii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.iii - A paragraph that proves your minor point

**B) 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph:** minor point 2 that proves your subpoint

- 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.i - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.ii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.iii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
- 2. A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.i - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.ii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.iii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
- 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.i - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.ii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.iii - A paragraph that proves your minor point

**C) 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph :** minor point 3 that proves your subpoint

- 1. A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.i - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.ii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.iii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
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- 3. A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.i - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.ii - A paragraph that proves your minor point
  - 1.iii - A paragraph that proves your minor point

- **Main Point 2:** Mention your main point here.

- **Repeat steps from Main Point 1**

**DO YOU SEE HOW YOU CAN KEEP MAKING THIS BIGGER AND BIGGER.....**