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Writing Centre

Essay Template

Tell me what you're going to tell me.

Introduction:

Create interest/present hook
Background information: who, what, where, when and why
Thesis:
- Identify subject and make a claim
- Preview main arguments

Body Paragraph #1:

Topic sentence
Example/evidence
Explanation
Concluding/transition sentence

Tell me.

Body Paragraph #2:

Topic sentence
Example/evidence
Explanation
Concluding/transition sentence

Body Paragraph #3:

Topic sentence
Example/evidence
Explanation
Concluding/transition sentence

Tell me what you told me.

Conclusion:

Restate thesis
Explain why it is important
Summarize arguments
Relate subject to larger concepts