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### Essay Outline Example

- I. First Paragraph - Introduction
    - A. Opening statement – attention getter
    - B. Supporting sentences – as many as necessary
    - C. Thesis statement – should include your three main points
  
  - II. First Body Paragraph - First Main Point
    - A. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail
    - B. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail
    - C. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail
- (Each body paragraph must have 1 quote from the book in it. Also remember, if you have an A, you must have a B, etc.; if you have a 1, you must have a 2, etc.)
- III. Second Body Paragraph - Second Main Point
    - A. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail
    - B. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail
    - C. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail
  
  - IV. Third Body Paragraph – Third Main Point
    - A. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail
    - B. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail
    - C. Supporting sentence – subheading
      - 1. Detail
      - 2. Detail

V. Last Paragraph - Conclusion

- A. Restate thesis
- B. Brief summary – as many sentences as necessary
- C. Closing (clincher) sentence