

Sample Academic Essay Outline

Introduction	1-2 ¶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ (1) Introduction of Topic (can be whole ¶)** ☐ (2) Thesis ☐ (3) Main Ideas
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Body	3-10 ¶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Topic Sentence: Main Idea w/ transition (2) Details to support Main Idea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) Detail 1 (Author, year, p. #) (B) Detail 2 (Author, year, p. #) (C) Detail 3 (Author, year, p. #) (D) Detail 4 (Author, year, p. #) (3) Conclude Sentence: Main Idea wrap-up w/ transition
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Conclusion	1-2 ¶	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ (1) Topic & Thesis ☐ (2) Main Ideas ☐ (1) Concluding Point (can be whole ¶)**
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References	<p>Keep a list of all the sources you use Format with APA A - Z by author last name or title (if no author)</p>
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** You might need to use sources for intro topic or conclude point
 Make sure to put citations on outline (Author, year, p. #)

<i>Simple Body Paragraph Method</i>	<i>Complex Body Paragraph Method</i>
¶ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Main Idea #1 w/ Details</div>	¶ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">1. Main Idea #1 (A) w/ Details</div>
¶ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Main Idea #2 w/ Details</div>	¶ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">(B) More Detail/Example</div>
¶ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Main Idea #3 w/ Details</div>	¶ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">(C) More Detail/Example</div>
	¶ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">2. Main Idea #2 (A) w/ Details</div>