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**Expository Essay: Outline**

***Directions:***

1. Please review your Topic 3 readings and the “Planning and Getting Started” section of “The Writing Process” media piece.

2. Fill in the outline and references sections below. Use a minimum of three peer reviewed resources to support your subtopics (one resource per supporting paragraph). Make sure to use complete sentences when completing the outline.

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| **Expository Essay Topic:** | |
| **Essay Title:** | |
| 1. **Introduction:** (*Begin with a hook sentence to capture your audience’s attention, then provide a brief background of the topic and end with your thesis statement.)*     1. Hook:    2. Additional background information:    3. Mapped Thesis statement (***review Topic 3 DQ1 for feedback from instructor***): |  |
| 1. **Support**   **Supporting Point #1 (subtopic 1): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**   1. Topic sentence for this first sub-topic:      1. Two to three ***paraphrased*** supporting details from your research ***with in-text citations***    * Supporting paraphrase 1:    * Supporting paraphrase 2: |  |
| **Supporting Point #2 (subtopic 2): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**   1. Topic sentence for this second sub-topic:      1. Two to three ***paraphrased*** supporting details from your research ***with in-text citations***    * Supporting paraphrase 1:    * Supporting paraphrase 2: |  |
| **Supporting Point #3 (subtopic 3): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**   1. Topic sentence for this third sub-topic: 2. Two to three ***paraphrased*** supporting details from your research ***with in-text citations***    * Supporting paraphrase 1:    * Supporting paraphrase 2: |  |
| 1. **Conclusion:** (*Paraphrase your thesis statement, summarize main points, and make final remarks.*) 2. Paraphrase thesis statement:      1. Summarize main points: |  |
| **References**  Organize all references you will use in the essay and list them in the space below in alphabetical order based on author’s last name. Be sure the reference page is double-spaced and formatted to have hanging indents by ½ an inch, with the first line hanging and all others indented. See the APA Style Guide located in the [Writing Center](https://www.gcumedia.com/lms-resources/student-success-center/v3.1/#/tools/writing-center) of the [GCU Student Success Center website](https://www.gcumedia.com/lms-resources/student-success-center/v3.1/#/) for help with formatting references and citations. Within the essay, this reference page will be on its own page at the bottom of your essay. | |