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Sample Outline

I Intro

Opening ideas:

Thesis: _____

II Paragraph 1: Topic Sentence _____

Evidence 1:

Explanation:

Evidence 2:

Explanation:

Evidence 3:

Explanation

III Paragraph 2: Topic Sentence _____

Evidence 1:

Explanation:

Evidence 2:

Explanation:

Evidence 3:

Explanation

IV Paragraph 3: Topic Sentence_____

Evidence 1:

Explanation:

Evidence 2:

Explanation:

Evidence 3:

Explanation

V Paragraph 4: Topic Sentence_____

Evidence 1:

Explanation:

Evidence 2:

Explanation:

Evidence 3:

Explanation

VI Conclusion:

Rephrase Thesis_____

Summarize Main Points

Ending Note to Make the Reader Think