#  **ESSAY OUTLINE**

1. **INTRODUCTION**
	1. Background Information
		1. General background information that grabs attention **(reference)**
		2. More specific background information to lead into the thesis **(reference)**
	2. Thesis statement
		1. Topic
		2. Outline your key points
2. **BODY**
	1. **Support Paragraph 1**
		1. Thesis statement
		2. Supporting Ideas
			1. Reason/Detail/Fact and transition **(reference)**
			2. More information and transition **(reference)**
			3. Maybe even more information **(reference)**
		3. Summarizing/Concluding/Transition sentence
	2. **Support Paragraph 2**
		1. Thesis statement
		2. Supporting Ideas
			1. Reason/Detail/Fact and transition **(reference)**
			2. More information and transition **(reference)**
			3. Maybe even more information **(reference)**
		3. Summarizing/Concluding/Transition sentence
	3. **Possible Support Paragraph 3**
		1. Thesis statement
		2. Supporting Ideas
			1. Reason/Detail/Fact and transition **(reference)**
			2. More information and transition **(reference)**
			3. Maybe even more information **(reference)**
		3. Summarizing/Concluding/Transition sentence
	4. **Maybe even another Support Paragraph 4 (or more)**
		1. Thesis statement
		2. Supporting Ideas
			1. Reason/Detail/Fact and transition **(reference)**
			2. More information and transition **(reference)**
			3. Maybe even more information **(reference)**
		3. Summarizing/Concluding/Transition sentence
3. **CONCLUSION**
	1. Summarize/Review key points
	2. Concluding thought
4. **REFERENCES** **(use APA or MLA format)**