

The Seven Sentence Outline
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The outline format printed below should be followed explicitly.
Remember: write in complete sentences and follow the structure
as provided.

Introduction: According to _____ in _____, " _____"
_____ (p.#). [Note that
"according to" is only one of many ways to introduce one's
opening quote.]

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Thesis:

[the thesis statement should focus the essay and follow the
specific directions given on the assignment sheet and in
class notes.]

Body Paragraph #1: [topic sentence of first body paragraph]

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Body Paragraph #2: [topic sentence of second body paragraph]

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Body Paragraph #3: [topic sentence of third body paragraph]

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Conclusion:

In summary, _____ . [Note: "in summary" is only one of many ways to introduce one's summary statement.]

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"New Idea":

_____ [Remember: the "new" idea should emerge out of the careful scholarship that the paper demands. It should not result from one's preconceived notions, nor should it be a restatement of previous knowledge. In short, it is not (necessarily) a moral or a lesson. It is a "so what?" idea/statement.]

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