

CATW Structure

Paragraph 1: Summary & Thesis

The article “_____” by _____
Title *Author’s first and last name*

explains that _____
Overall main idea

_____. According to the article, _____
Supporting detail

_____. In addition, the author says that _____
Supporting detail

_____. Lastly, the author says that _____

_____. What struck me the most is that _____

_____.
Thesis Statement

Paragraph 2: Opinion Paragraph

To start off, I believe _____
Topic sentence

_____. According to _____,
Author’s last name

“_____”
Quote from article

In other words, _____
Paraphrase

_____. To me, this means that _____
Response

_____. To explain further, _____
Elaboration/Interpretation

_____. In addition, _____

_____. Overall, _____
Elaboration/Interpretation

Connection

Paragraph 3: Personal Experience

This reminds me of something that happened to _____
me / a friend / a family member

Tell your true story (4-5 sentences)

_____.

_____.

_____.

_____.

Just as the article said, _____
Connection

In my case, _____
Connection

Paragraph 3: Conclusion

In conclusion, _____
Restate your thesis in different words

_____.

I think that _____ should read this article/[do this thing]
Group or groups of people

because _____
The reason you think they should read it