Standard Five Paragraph Essay

**Introduction:**

Hook (interesting introduction to your topic – quote, anecdote, statistic, AVOID using a question):

Topic Sentence/Background Information (should connect the hook to your thesis statement – what information is needed to do this?):

Thesis Statement (answer to the prompt, usually with three explicitly stated subtopics for a five paragraph essay):

**First Body Paragraph (first subtopic from Thesis Statement)**

Topic Sentence (full thought on your first subtopic from thesis statement):

Evidence (backs up your topic sentence, which backs up your thesis statement):

Reasoning (how does your evidence support your topic sentence, which supports your thesis statement?):

**Second Body Paragraph (second subtopic from Thesis Statement)**

Topic Sentence (full thought on your second subtopic from thesis statement):

Evidence (backs up your topic sentence, which backs up your thesis statement):

Reasoning (how does your evidence support your topic sentence, which supports your thesis statement?):

**Third Body Paragraph (third subtopic from Thesis Statement)**

Topic Sentence (full thought on your third subtopic from thesis statement):

Evidence (backs up your topic sentence, which backs up your thesis statement):

Reasoning (how does your evidence support your topic sentence, which supports your thesis statement?):

Conclusion:

Restate Thesis is new words

Relate back to your hook

So what? Why is this topic important outside of this writing assignment?