**Claim (Topic Sentence):** A claim tells the reader what the paragraph is going to be about. It is a statement that answers a question. It answers one side of an argument. There is no “I”, because or explanation in your claim.

**Evidence:** This is information from the text that proves your claim. It is a fact. It is the exact words taken from the text, with quotes. If the information is too long, you can use a paraphrase. After the sentence cite your source (Doc. A) or (Lines 13-15) Also, cite your source with the author’s name or article name.

**Reasoning:** This links the evidence to the claim. This explains how your evidence is proof of your claim. This is written in your own words. This explains the because or the why. *Examples: This is important because…, This demonstrates…, This shows…, This means…, This explains…*Reasoning adds seasoning! It spices things up!

**Evidence: see above explanation**

**Conclusion:** This is the wrapping up your writing. The conclusion restates your claim to remind your reader the purpose of your paper. Your conclusion provides your claim in a slightly different version.

**Reasoning: see above explanation**

**Evidence: see above explanation**

**Reasoning: see above explanation**

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