

1. Introduction Paragraph:

The introduction paragraph should follow the format of general to specific (think of it as an inverse triangle) where the central assertion should be the most specific part of the paragraph.

Format:

[1] Hook (introduce the big idea, poet, profound thought)

[2] Harness

[3-4] Context + Summary of the poem

[5-6] Central Assertion

2-4. Body Paragraph:

The body paragraph should follow the PEI format (Point, Evidence, Importance), where there is a single quote from the poem per each body paragraph (2-3 quotes total throughout the entire poem). The two paragraphs should contain two separate literary devices (form and style).

Format:

There should be balance in an essay, if you have two evidence and importance in the first body paragraph, then there should also be two quotes within the second body paragraph.

5. Conclusion

The concluding paragraph should not state anything new and also not to add "In Conclusion" as it is too original. The central assertion should be restated without adding additional points. Try to keep the final paragraph should and simple.

General Tips:

- No contractions (don't use I'm, use I am)
- No persona pronouns (we did not know the author personally)