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Writing 1

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Essay 4 Outline Template

List your major premise (which will become Body section 1):

Transportation has changed the world.

- “Role of the car has become highly important though controversial. It is used throughout the world and has become the most popular mode of transport in the more developed countries. In developing countries, the effects of the car on society are not as visible, however they are significant. The development of the car built upon the transport sector first started by railways. This has introduced sweeping changes in employment patterns, social interactions, infrastructure and the distribution of goods.” (“Effects of the car on societies” 2019)
 - The effects of the car and improved transportation on society letting humanity get around quicker.
- America culture wouldn’t be the same without cars. (“How Transportation Changed the World.” 2017)

Commented [JG1]: I don’t think this is a solid major premise. In some ways it feels too vague and disconnected from the minor premise.

List your minor premise (which will become Body section 2):

Global warming is a problem and we need renewable energy.

- Global climate change has already had observable effects on the environment. Glaciers have shrunk, ice on rivers and lakes is breaking up earlier, plant and animal ranges have shifted, and trees are flowering sooner.” (“The Effects of Climate Change”)
 - Talking about the negative effects of global warming on the environment
- Our personal vehicles are a major cause of global warming. Collectively, cars and trucks account for nearly one-fifth of all US emissions, emitting around 24 pounds of carbon dioxide and other global-warming gases for every gallon of gas. About five pounds comes from the extraction, production, and delivery of the fuel, while the great bulk of heat-trapping emissions—more than 19 pounds per gallon—comes right out of a car’s tailpipe. (“Car Emissions and Global Warming” 2014)

Commented [JG2]: Try making this into a single statement. For now these feel like two separate ideas (that global warming is a problem and that we need more energy), but try making it into one premise.

Thesis:

Electric vehicle is the future of transportation.

Commented [JG3]: You’ll need to do a little more thinking for your major and minor premise to work on the logical flow leading to the thesis.

Try the formulation: “If x [major premise], and if y [minor premise], then z [thesis].”

Review the “Argument” PDF for more practice with deductive reasoning.

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