Outline:

**Intro:**

Wake up

Leave Montana with Suzie

**Rising Action:**

Drive following rainclouds

Stop for Suzie’s car (omit?)

Suzie splits off, now I’m driving alone in SLC at near midnight

**Climax:**

I hit construction on I-15 and they have the southbound traffic diverted in between the regular southbound freeway and the northbound. The middle lanes

Every few seconds there’s big bumps “BAM BAM … BAM BAM”

The key falls out of the ignition 😱

**Falling Action:**

I drive the rest of the way home safely

I pass out 😴

I. Introduction – Wake up, introduce myself

A. Background information - Introduce my car, Suzie, and “The Drive”.

B. Thesis statement (what the essay is about) – The Drive

II. Rising action – The Drive

A. The event or experience – Driving following rain clouds

B. How you felt about it – It was beautiful and cooling

C. Specific details about the event

III. Climax – The Fall

A. The most intense or significant part of the story – Keys fall out from construction bumps

B. What you learned from the experience - ????

C. How you felt about the experience – It was scary

IV. Falling action – Arriving Home

A. The aftermath of the event – I pass the fuck out

B. How it affected you - ???

C. How you moved forward – unconscious with a car

V. Conclusion

A. Restate thesis

B. Summarize main points

C. Reflect on the significance of the experience and what you learned

Feelings I want to capture:

* Excitement about new car
* Long drive is very tiring, endurance challenge
  + Use repetition to emphasize how long and repetitive driving 12 hours feels
* The climax of having the key fall out of my ignition during construction