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# Organization Workshop: *Just Mercy*

## STEP 1

Go back to your Mind Map (that should contain your most recent version of your thesis).

Number the parts of your paper in the order you think you’ll want them in your paper.

## STEP 2:

Write an outline. Consider the following ways to organize your paper:

Title Plan: Make it simple

Sample: Mitigation and Mass Incarceration in Bryan Stevenson’s *Just Mercy*

**Introduction Plan**: should just have your thesis for now (don’t get fancy)

Sample: BS exposes how easy it is for POC and vulnerable individuals to get caught up in the criminal justice system, especially when mitigating circumstances aren’t taken into account.

**Body Paragraph Plan**:

Lots of obvious examples to demonstrate where BS shows the system neglecting mitigating circumstances for vulnerable people

Samples: The guy who was in the car accident; the woman whose baby was stillborn

Main example/evidence of X early in the book

Sample:

Second example/evidence that demonstrates X but adds other important elements to our understanding of it

Sample:

Example/evidence that deepens or complicates or even contradicts our ideas of X

Sample:

**So What? Conclusion Plan**

* 1. Summarize the specific points you make in your paper, what you show
  2. Summarize Stevenson’s purpose was in writing JM in terms of your topic
  3. Discuss the implications of this topic for readers and for us (raises awareness, shocks, challenges beliefs and biases)

**Remember you’ll be writing a final critical reflection section!**

**POST THIS WORKSHEET BACK ON CANVAS BY NEXT CLASS**

**You’ll be using it to write your paper in class!**