

# Essay Structure and Flow

## Introduction Paragraph

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The introduction needs to provide adequate background about the issue to show your understanding of the area. It also needs to clearly tell your thesis/claim at the end.

### Basic Structure

Background Information
One Side's Opinion
Another Side's Opinion
Thesis / Claim



## Body Paragraphs

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The body paragraphs need to develop the claim made in the thesis using specific details like description, reasons, examples, and other explanation.

### Basic Structure

Topic Sentence
Support Sentences
Conclusion Sentence



## Conclusion Paragraph

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The conclusion paragraph ends the essay by restating the main points. It may consider the future, ask readers to act, or use other methods. This paragraph needs to help readers remember your point.

### Basic Structure

Restate Thesis
Paraphrase Main Points
Closing / Call to Action

