

Introductions and Conclusions Activity

Directions:

1. Refer to the introductions and conclusions reference sheet.
2. Note the FIVE parts of the introduction and the FOUR parts of the conclusion.
3. For each of the introductions and conclusions below, identify (by underlining or highlighting) and LABEL EACH PART.
4. If a part of the introduction or conclusion is not included, list those missing components in the space provided.

Example:

"Lucy, I am home." This is one of TV's most memorable quotes in all of television history.

Open with Impact -
Anecdotal story

Introduction

1. Johanna Silver Gordon was a healthy and active woman. She ate a heart-healthy diet, exercised regularly, but above all she was diligent in receiving an annual Pap smear and mammogram. To everyone, she appeared to be in the best of health. Naturally, she was alarmed after a few weeks of minor gastrointestinal issues—and made an appointment with her doctor. There she was informed that she had Stage 4 ovarian cancer. At age 55, this mother of two was told that she had less than three years to live.

whole thing:
open with
impact -
anecdotal
story

Which part(s), if any, are missing?

Relate topic to audience, establish credibility, thesis, and preview statement.

Conclusion

2. In the last 9 minutes, we've explored ovarian cancer, the deadly problems associated with the disease, and analyzed solutions to break the silence. In the last 9 minutes a woman has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer. A woman like the mother of Rene Rossi, who in the last months of her life told her daughter, "You must do something about this disease." In the past 9 minutes you have been given the power to do just that. Do it for the women in our lives—your mothers, your daughters, your loved ones. Shout out this silent killer.

summarize
main points

Which part(s), if any, are missing?

Restate thesis.

close with impact - complete anecdotal story

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Introduction

3. Imagine that you sign up for your school's blood drive and when you arrive, you are told by the doctors you're not allowed to donate blood because of your sexual orientation. How would you feel? Many people in this room have donated blood, but some of us are prohibited by law. People should not have the right of donating blood taken away because of their sexual orientation. Today, I am going to share with you what the Gay Blood Ban is, why you should not support it, and some possible solutions.

open with impact - rhetorical question

relate topic to audience

preview statement

thesis

Which part(s), if any, are missing?

Establish credibility

Conclusion

4. In conclusion, I have told you about the Gay Blood Ban, why you should not support it, and some possible solutions. People should not have the right of giving life through blood donation taken away because of their sexual orientation because it's discriminatory. I'd like to leave you with this final quote from John E. Lewis, "We cannot keep turning our backs on LGBTQ Americans. I have fought too hard and too long against discrimination based on race and gender to not stand up against discrimination based on sexual orientation."

signal closing

summarize main points

restate thesis

close with impact - conclude with quote

Which part(s), if any, are missing?

None

Sydney Flanagan, "Gay Blood Ban," Ohlone College.

Introduction

5. Seventy percent of Earth's surface is covered in water, and marine life depends on that water to survive. Imagine yourself stranded on an island with no shelter and no shade. That's what some marine animals are going through at the moment. As an Environmental Studies major, I am interested in climate change science which led me to look into its effects on the ocean environment and marine organisms and that's when I came across ocean acidification.

open with impact - startling fact, rhetorical question

establish credibility

Which part(s), if any, are missing?

Relate topic to audience, thesis, and preview statement.

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thesis

summarize main points

6. In closing, Ocean acidification is an important issue that needs to be addressed. The increase in CO₂ leading to increasingly acidic oceans are threatening marine life and ultimately human life. Biodiversity is at risk and our relationship with the ocean environment is important. I want to end on this quote, "We are tied to the ocean and when we got back to the sea, whether it is to sail or to watch it, we are going back from whence we came." John F. Kennedy

close with impact - conclude with quote

Which part(s), if any, are missing?

None.

Chris Moreno, "Ocean Acidification," Ohlone College.

Instructor/Tutor Signature

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