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| **First Paragraph**  **Introduction:**   * Attention-getter: share a related story or shared experience; use sensory or vivid details; use a quotation; ask an interesting question; use a shocking statistic, etc… * Appeal to Kairos?? Timeliness? Urgency? Why is this issue important **now**? Or Personal connection—why is this question interesting to you personally? * Background information (OR in the second paragraph) * **Thesis:** Could be the research question or the answer to your research question ( be sure it is the last sentence of intro)   **Second Paragraph**   * Topic sentence-- Point 1—first answer to your research question * Evidence from a secondary source (appeals to logos, pathos, and/or ethos)   **Third Paragraph**   * Topic sentence-- Point 2 -- second answer to your research question * Evidence from a secondary source (appeals to logos, pathos, and/or ethos)   **Fourth Paragraph**   * Topic sentence-- Point 3 -- third answer to your research question * Evidence from a secondary source (appeals to logos, pathos, and/or ethos)   \*\*\*\*\*Note: you might have two body paragraphs to discuss the FIRST answer to your research question. That is completely fine. Just be sure each time you start a new paragraph, you have an accurate and effective TOPIC SENTENCE.  **LAST Paragraph**  Conclusion:   * Re-state thesis – state the answer(s) of the research question. BUT—you might not have a definitive answer, and that is ok, too. Be sure to state what you found out after researching your question. * Use some of these strategies: return to the scene you set in the introduction; make a recommendation or call to action (what do you ask your readers to do); speculate about the future; end with an insightful/important thought for readers to think about |

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