FIVE (5) PARAGRAPH ESSAY FORMAT

NOTE: A PARAGRAPH IS 4 TO 5 COMPLETE SENTENCES!!

1. **INTRODUCTION** – The first sentence of this paragraph should restate the questions, and give a general answer. The next few sentences should be a brief overview of what you will discuss in the following paragraphs below.

2. **BODY PARAGRAPH** - This paragraph should be a discussion of one of the points in your jot list.

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5. **CONCLUSION** - This paragraph concludes the essay. Please do not introduce any new ideas. Restate (sum up) what you discussed and bring all your ideas together.

**JOT LIST**

Write at least 4 ideas or answers to the essay question/topic. Use 3 of these distinct ideas to be the main idea of your body paragraph.