**THE FIVE PARAGRAPH ESSAY   
(Expository/Informational)**

**Hook**  
  
**Background   
Information**

**Thesis/Topic**

**Point – Turn your first point of your thesis into topic sentence**

**Evidence – Cite evidence from a reliable source**

**Explanation – Explain how the evidence above supports your point**

**Link – Conclude this paragraph and link to the next paragraph**

**Supporting  
 Paragraph 1**

**Repeat Evidence and   
 Explanation**

**Supporting   
 Paragraph 2**

**Point – Turn your second point of your thesis into topic sentence**

**Evidence – Cite evidence from a reliable source  
  
Explanation – Explain how the evidence above supports your point  
Link – Conclude this paragraph and link to the next paragraph**

**Repeat Evidence and   
 Explanation**

**Point – Turn your third point of your thesis into topic sentence**

**Evidence – Cite evidence from a reliable source  
  
Explanation – Explain how the evidence above supports your point  
Link – Conclude this paragraph and link to the next paragraph**

**Repeat Evidence and Supporting  
 Explanation Paragraph 3**

**Thesis/Topic Restated   
  
Summarize Key  
Evidence   
  
Outcome**