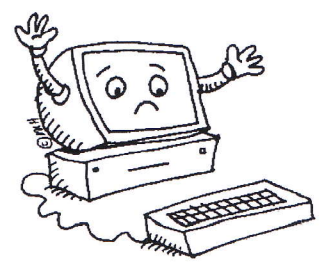




Generic Research Paper Organizer Template



First Paragraph: Introduction

FIRST SENTENCE(S): **Hook** (a power punch beginning to hook your readers and make them want to read on)

NEXT SENTENCES: **Introduction** (provide basic definitions, details, background information about your subject in general that readers will need to know to understand and appreciate your paper better)

LAST SENTENCE: **Thesis Statement** (The general answer to your research Question/What your paper is all about in ONE SENTENCE.)

Middle Paragraphs: Body

FIRST SENTENCE: **Transition Word + Topic Sentence** (one of the answers to your Research Question---your subtopic)

NEXT SENTENCES: **Facts & Details** that support/explain/illustrate/prove your Topic Sentence

- This is where you write about all the research you have learned.
- Use your own words AND quote others by putting their words in quotation marks.
- Cite all sources you use.

Last Paragraph: Conclusion

FIRST SENTENCE: **Transition Word + Rewording of Thesis Statement** (in different words)

NEXT SENTENCES: **Personal Thoughts** related to your Thesis Statement & Topic Sentences

- What you learned /agree with/ don't agree with & why
- what you found interesting / surprising or opinions you have about the information
- what affect the information has had on you and your life---what the information has inspired you to do/think about or what further information you want to research/find answers to

LAST SENTENCE(S): **Power Punch Ending** that will leave a lasting impression