TITLE

___ Interesting Title (NOT Argumentative Essay!!!) please.

INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND INFORMATION <u>1-2 paragraphs</u>; Includes:

____Clearly STATES a CLAIM

<u>Background information:</u>

____provides brief explanation of issue

____provides definition of key terms/key theories

____Summarizes (very briefly) 3 supporting <u>reasons</u> to believe the CLAIM

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE 1

Minimum of 1 paragraph per Supporting Point; Includes:

- _____Topic Sentence: <u>REASON # 1</u> (in more detail)
- **1 DATA supporting reason #1:** examples, facts, statistics, or quotations
- ____ Cites the source
- **<u>2 DATA supporting reason #1: examples, facts, statistics, or quotations</u>**
- ____ Cites the source

_____DOES NOT DROP A QUOTE IN WITHOUT INTRODUCING IT

Provides WARRANT for each DATA (why is it relevant to your CLAIM; How does it prove your point)?

Provides TRANSITIONS

Provides CONCLUDING SENTENCE (reasserts how the topic sentence of this paragraph proves your paper's overall claim).

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE 2

Minimum of 1 paragraph per Supporting Point; Includes:

- _____Topic Sentence: <u>REASON # 2</u> (in more detail)
- **____1 DATA supporting reason #2:** examples, facts, statistics, or quotations
- ____ Cites the source
- **_____2 DATA supporting reason #2:** examples, facts, statistics, or quotations
- ____ Cites the source
- **DOES NOT DROP A QUOTE IN WITHOUT INTRODUCING IT**
- **Provides WARRANT for each DATA** (why is it relevant to your CLAIM; How does it prove your point)?
- **Provides TRANSITIONS**
- **Provides CONCLUDING SENTENCE** (reasserts how the topic sentence of this paragraph proves your paper's overall claim).

Glentzer

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE 3

Minimum of 1 paragraph per Supporting Point; Includes:

Topic Sentence: REASON # 3 (in more detail)
1 DATA supporting reason #3: examples, facts, statistics, or quotations
Cites the source
2 DATA supporting reason #3: examples, facts, statistics, or quotations
Cites the source
DOES NOT DROP A QUOTE IN WITHOUT INTRODUCING IT
Provides WARRANT for each DATA (why is it relevant to your CLAIM; How does it

prove your point)?

Provides TRANSITIONS

Provides CONCLUDING SENTENCE (reasserts how the topic sentence of this paragraph proves your paper's overall claim).

COUNTERCLAIM & REBUTTAL

1-2 paragraphs; Includes:

- COUNTERCLAIM: States possible argument(s) against your CLAIM and/or some aspect of your reasoning
- **Refutes the counterclaim with a REBUTTAL** (usually at least 2/3 sentences & use of data is *highly* encouraged)
- **Provides a concluding sentence** that reasserts your paper's claim as a whole.

CONCLUSION

1 paragraph

_____Restates your paper's overall claim

____Summarizes your supporting evidence.

_____Leaves the reader a TAKE-AWAY: Answer the question "SO WHAT?" What should your reader be left thinking?!

WORKS CITED PAGE

- ____ Works Cited Title Centered
- <u>Sources in alphabetical order</u>

_____ 1st Sources properly formatted (author. "article." *site*. publisher. date. Web. date of access.)

2nd Sources properly formatted (author. "article." *site*. publisher. date. Web. date of access.)

_____3rd Sources properly formatted (author. "article." *site*. publisher. date. Web. date of access.) ****YOU DO NOT NEED TO HAVE THE URLS for the final product (you should leave them on your page though if you're still in the process of writing so you can link to the site easily)!!!!