

Lit. Analysis Outline Template

Title of Assignment

Thesis: Type out your thesis statement – make sure it is arguable.

I. Topic Sentence that connects directly to thesis and is arguable

A. 1st Assertion

1. Proof or evidence (quote)- Quote doesn't need to be integrated in outline but proper in-text citation required
2. Commentary/Explanation (What does this quote show or prove?)
3. Transition sentence or phrase

B. 2nd Assertion

1. Proof or evidence (quote)- Quote doesn't need to be integrated in outline but proper in-text citation required
2. Commentary/Explanation (What does this quote show or prove?)
3. Concluding/ Transition Sentence

II. Topic Sentence that connects directly to thesis and is arguable

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3. Transition sentence or phrase

B. 2nd Assertion

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2. Commentary/Explanation (What does this quote show or prove?)

Notes:

- Continue with the above formatting for all body paragraphs. Your outline may vary in length and structure, but if you have an A, you need a B (if you have a 1, you need a 2).
- The outline should be in complete sentences unless otherwise instructed
- Type the outline in MLA 8 outline form (12 pt. Times New Roman font, 1” margins, header, double-spaced, name and page number in upper right corner, etc.)
- You are required to use in-text citations for each quote in the outline
- Quote integration is not required on outline, but it is expected on rough draft and final
- The introduction and conclusion should not be included on the outline