Sample Non-Biased, Exposition Outline

***Essays should be written in 3rd person. Eliminate the following words from your essay: you, your, our, we, us, I, me etc.***

Title (Yup, you’re going to need one.)

I. Introduction

A. Attention –getter, hook (statement, quote, statistic, anecdote, descriptive sentences)

B. Link (this ties the attention-getter to the thesis)

C. Thesis statement (the topic the paper will explain)

II. Body

A. Agree / Pro / For – Your first point

1. Topic sentence (Make sure it relates directly to the thesis)

2. Set up (make connections form your topic sentence to the specific citation)

3. Citation (make sure this is directly from the source with correct MLA format)

4. Elaboration (fully explain how the citation explains and supports your topic sentence

B. Agree / Pro / For – Your second point

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C. Disagree / Con / Against – Your first point

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C. Disagree / Con / Against – Your second point

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III. Conclusion

A. Reword thesis statement in a fresh way to remind readers what your point was.

B. Broaden the perspective of the topic