

The Five Paragraph Essay

or the Bing, the Bang, and the Bongo

<p>➤ Introductory Paragraph (Paragraph 1)</p>	<p>> Motivator > Thesis Sentence This is the attention-getter, or hook. Any type of lead that is appropriate for the essay may be used. The lead must be at least three sentences long. It also needs to directly relate to the body of the essay.</p>
<p>➤ First Body Paragraph > The BING (Paragraph 2)</p>	<p>This paragraph is the first of the body paragraphs. There should be some type of transition to connect the lead paragraph to it. It should also contain a topic sentence the states the main idea of the paragraph. There should be at least four more sentences containing specific details that support the main idea of the paragraph. The paragraph should end with a good closing sentence.</p>
<p>➤ Second Body Paragraph > The BANG (Paragraph 3)</p>	<p>This paragraph is the second of the body paragraphs. There should be some type of transition to connect the second body paragraph to it. It should also contain a topic sentence the states the main idea of the paragraph. There should be at least four more sentences containing specific details that support the main idea of the paragraph. The paragraph should end with a good closing sentence.</p>
<p>➤ Third Body Paragraph > The BONGO (Paragraph 4)</p>	<p>This paragraph is the third of the body paragraphs. There should be some type of transition to connect the second body paragraph to it. It should also contain a topic sentence the states the main idea of the paragraph. There should be at least four more sentences containing specific details that support the main idea of the paragraph. The paragraph should end with a good closing sentence.</p>
<p>➤ Concluding Paragraph (Paragraph 5)</p>	<p>> Reworded Thesis > Clincher This paragraph ties everything together. Any type of conclusion that is appropriate for the essay may be used. A transition is needed at the beginning of the paragraph to bridge the third body paragraph to it. It must be at least three sentences long and directly relate to the body of the essay.</p>