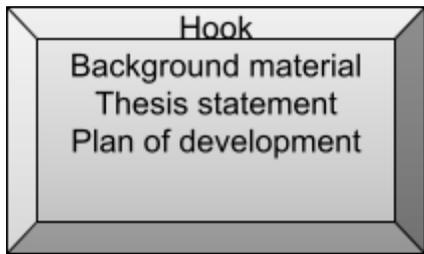


## Essay Development

### Introductory Paragraph



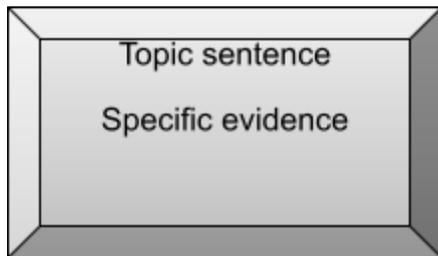
The *hook* is a sentence that attracts the reader's attention.

*Background material* provides the reader with enough information to understand the topic.

The *thesis statement* is the main idea of the paper.

The *plan of development* outlines the order in which the supporting paragraphs will be presented.

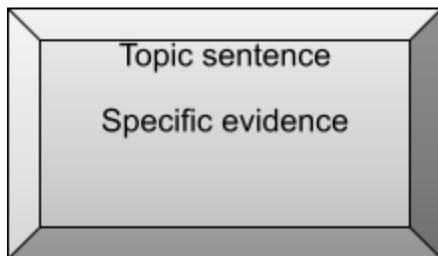
### 1st Supporting Paragraph



The *topic sentence* is the main point of the paragraph and supports the thesis statement.

The *specific evidence* explains the topic sentence in further details.

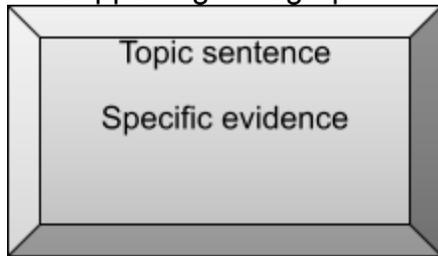
### 2nd Supporting Paragraph



The *topic sentence* is the main point of the paragraph and supports the thesis statement.

The *specific evidence* explains the topic sentence in further details.

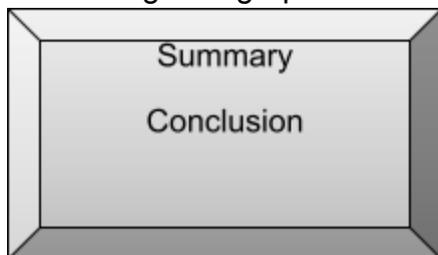
### 3rd Supporting Paragraph



The *topic sentence* is the main point of the paragraph and supports the thesis statement.

The *specific evidence* explains the topic sentence in further details.

### Concluding Paragraph



The *summary* restates the thesis and the main points from each supporting paragraph.

The *conclusion* ties together the ideas presented in the paper with the thesis statement, and it leaves the reader with a final thought to ponder on.