# **Basic Outline Format**

## I. Topic / Title

# II. Introduction of Essay

- A. Write a few sentences that lead into the main point of your essay
- B. End the paragraph with your thesis statement (3 main points you are going to support)
  - 1. First point in thesis
  - 2. Second point in thesis
  - 3. Third point in thesis

## III. Body of Essay

- A. Topic One First Point in Thesis
  - 1. Support your point with either quotations or solid evidence
  - 2. Have at least five sentences
- B. Topic Two Second Point in Thesis
  - 1. Support your point with either quotations or solid evidence
  - 2. Have at least five sentences
- C. Topic Three Third Point in Thesis
  - 1. Support your point with either quotations or solid evidence
  - 2. Have at least five sentence

#### **IV.** Conclusion

- A. Write a few sentences summarizing your essay
- B. Restate your thesis and how you proved your point