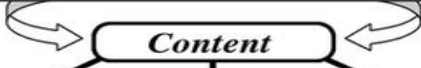




ADVANCED ESSAY WRITING *The Research Paper Graphic Organizer*

Focus
Thesis Statement
 What are you attempting to explain, prove, or persuade the reader to do? Make sure your answer is a complete sentence.



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Style
GRABBERS
 Make sure to begin your essay in a creative manner aimed at "grabbing" the reader's attention and establishing a creative thread that you can carry through to your conclusion and your zinger.
ZINGERS
 An essay should leave a final and lasting impression on the reader. The best zingers are ones that refer back to the creative idea you used in your grabber.

Grabber: How will you creatively capture or "grab" the reader's interest?

Zinger: What thought-provoking idea will you offer the reader to think about?

Organization
 The arrangement of content. The order developed and sustained within and across paragraphs using transitional devices and including introduction and conclusion.

Alert!
 Look over your three arguments or subtopics and decide the best order for the three paragraphs that will make up the body of your essay. Use the blocks provided to determine the order in which you will present your three arguments or subtopics.

Conventions

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