Essay Structure Outline

Introductory paragraph - 3/4 to 1 page for an essay of 5 pages or more.

General background information about the essay topic that progresses towards the actual focus of the essay

Transition sentence. Get to what the focus of your essay is.

Specific information about your essay topic. Outline what the focus will be.

Thesis is the LAST sentence in the introductory paragraph.

Body Paragraphs. MUST follow in order as they are written in your thesis sentence. Must follow the template taught in class and found on Weebly page. In an essay that is 5 or more pages, each body paragraph needs to be 1 page in length.

A concluding paragraph does the following in this order:

1) General, essay specific, concluding sentence
2) Restatement of thesis
3) Summation of each body paragraph in separate sentences
4) Tie up any loose ends. No new claims or ideas that would need proving.