Introductory Paragraph

1. Hook (Interesting fact or question):

2. Thesis (Topic + Position):

3. Argument (Briefly state the 3 arguments that will back up your thesis. One argument per body paragraph):

1st body paragraph

1. Topic Sentence:

2. Specific Argument:

3. Quote and/or Evidence that backs up Specific Argument:

4. Relevance (Explanation of Quote and/or Evidence):

5. Transition Sentence:

2nd body paragraph

1. Topic Sentence:
2. Specific Argument:
3. Quote and/or Evidence that backs up Specific Argument:
4. Relevance (Explanation of Quote and/or Evidence):
5. Transition Sentence:

3rd body paragraph

1. Topic Sentence:
2. Specific Argument:
3. Quote and/or Evidence that backs up Specific Argument:
4. Relevance (Explanation of Quote and/or Evidence):

Conclusion

1. Restate Thesis (In different words):

2. Summarize your argument:

3. Look Ahead (Make a normative statement, or, make connection to real world):

Next Steps:

1. Revise, Revise, Revise! Check for grammar, spelling and run-on sentences.
2. Have a friend read it over and edit it.
3. Read it out loud.