

What is the title of your essay going to be? Remember: you are to use your **OWN** title, not the sources title.

Single-Sex School

How will you capture your reader's attention? If you have an attention getter, write it. If not, work on one with the lines provided.

How can you make sure your introduction introduces and clearly states your argument, rather than have irrelevant information?

State **YOUR** thesis.

Will your reader learn something new from your paper? If so, what?

What are your main points and sub points?

Transition word or phrase therefore

1st main point: the school is a single-sex school

1. the school is a single-sex school

2. the school is a single-sex school

3. _____

Transition word or phrase _____

2nd main point: _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Transition word or phrase _____

3rd main point: _____

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4th main point _____

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Are your topic sentences **CLEARLY** stated? Do they show the reader **EXACTLY** what you'll specifically be discussing in that paragraph? If not, refer back to page 2 of this outline.

Do you have enough support for your main idea? If not, what do you need to add?

Does the information always relate to your main idea? Do you need to eliminate unneeded, irrelevant, vague information?

Conclusion

Restate your thesis as your FIRST sentence. This last paragraph is going to summarize your essay. Restate the same ideas, but use **DIFFERENT** wording.

The first sentence should restate the thesis of the essay.

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