

# Research Paper **Outline Guidelines**

Directions: Based on your topic sheet, research, and annotated bibliography, you will need to draft out an outline that will help you write your rough draft. The more detailed your outline is, the easier it will be to write your essay. **\*\*Be sure to use in-text citations that show where your quotes are from.**

## **Outline Example:**

- I. Subcategory one: **Kinesthetic learners**
  - A. Quote to support subtopic #1: **A kinesthetic-tactile learning style requires that you manipulate or touch material to learn. Kinesthetic-tactile techniques are used in combination with visual and/or auditory study techniques, producing multi-sensory learning (Houghton).**
  - B. Quote to support subtopic #2: **Kinesthetic learners are most successful when totally engaged with the learning activity. They acquire information fastest when participating in a science lab, drama presentation, skit, field trip, dance, or other active activity (Farwell).**
  - C. Quote to support subtopic #3: **30% of students are kinesthetic learners and need more tactile (hands-on) and movement based activities (Prince).**
  - D. Quote to support subtopic #4: **Most kinesthetic learners love games because they often involve movement but are also enjoyable - kinesthetic learners perhaps more than other students who have different learning preferences need the element of enjoyment and fun to sustain their concentration, especially when they are younger, and it's worth developing a repertoire of successful games that you can play in many different contexts ("Kinesthetic Learners").**

Notice that each quote includes an in-text citation AND all of the subtopic quotes correlate with my subtopics listed on my topic page at the beginning of this unit.

***Type your response. It should be Times New Roman, size 12 font. Please use the MLA heading at the top left.***

## Outline Template:

Topic of research essay: \_\_\_\_\_

- I. Introductory Paragraph
  - A. Point one:
  - B. Point two:
  - C. Point three:
  - D. Thesis Statement
- II. Subtopic one:
  - A. Quote to support sub-subtopic #1:
  - B. Quote to support sub-subtopic #2:
  - C. Quote to support sub-subtopic #3:
  - D. Quote to support sub-subtopic #4:
- III. Subtopic two:
  - A. Quote to support sub-subtopic #1:
  - B. Quote to support sub-subtopic #2:
  - C. Quote to support sub-subtopic #3:
  - D. Quote to support sub-subtopic #4:
- IV. Subtopic three:
  - A. Quote to support sub-subtopic #1:
  - B. Quote to support sub-subtopic #2:
  - C. Quote to support sub-subtopic #3:
  - D. Quote to support sub-subtopic #4:
- V. Subtopic four:
  - A. Quote to support sub-subtopic #1:
  - B. Quote to support sub-subtopic #2:
  - C. Quote to support sub-subtopic #3:
  - D. Quote to support sub-subtopic #4:
- VI. Subtopic five:
  - A. Quote to support sub-subtopic #1:
  - B. Quote to support sub-subtopic #2:
  - C. Quote to support sub-subtopic #3:
  - D. Quote to support sub-subtopic #4:
- VII. Conclusion:
  - A. Point one:
  - B. Point two:
  - C. Point three:
  - D. Restate thesis statement: