

Outline Example

I. Introduction

a. Hook/Attention Getter – General statement about the topic at hand.

i. Revenge drives people to do things that may be out of character.

b. Discussion of A.G. – gives a little more focus.

i. This can cause problems for others and even death.

c. T.A.G. – title, author, genre

i. *The Crucible*, Arthur Miller, play

d. Lead-in

i. Abigail Williams exacts revenge on people who she knows the town will believe are witches and those she dislikes.

e. Thesis Statement – tells what the whole paper is about (answers the question(s) in the prompt.

- i. Abigail's revenge causes the other girls to accuse innocent people, John Proctor to lose his life, and the death of many others.

II. III & IV Body Paragraph 1,2, 3

- a. Topic Sentence – what this paragraph is about? and how it ties to the thesis statement.

- i. Abigail instills fear in the other girls, and they side with her to save themselves from her.

b. CD – Lead-in and quote

- i. “[she] watched [her] parents skulls bashed in....”(Miller, 1.1216)

c. CM – explains the quote

- i. Abigail shows the girls how far she is able to go with her threat

d. CM – ties it to the thesis

i. Their fear of her leads them to follow her example and do whatever she tells them to.

e. CD

f. CM

g. CM

h. CS – ties up the paragraph

i. Fear makes the girls do things they would not normally do and leads them to falsely accusing innocent people.

V. Conclusion

a. Rework your thesis – restate it in a way that helps close the essay.

b. Review the main points of your essay

c. Final concluding statement