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| **INTRODUCTION**  |
| **Opening Comment** (Introduce the text and author. Identify the time and place in which the novel is set)  |   |
| **Contention** (State your contention)  |   |
| **Preview** (Outline your 3 main arguments the prove your contention and that will be discussed in your body paragraphs)  |   |
| **Linking Sentence** (ensure your last sentence links to the essay topic and your contention)  |   |

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| **Explain** (educate your reader about your argument/reason why this is true)  |   |
| **Evidence** (provide evidence from the text to support your ideas)  |   |
| **Analyse** (how does the evidence show that your argument is true? How does the writer’s use of language help to prove how significant your argument is?)   |   |
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| **BODY PARAGRAPH TWO / ARGUMENT TWO**  |
| **Topic Sentence** (This is a sentence about the essay **topic** and the **sentences** in the body paragraph which will follow)   |   |
| **Explain** (educate your reader about your argument/reason why this is true)  |   |
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| **BODY PARAGRAPH THREE / ARGUMENT THREE**  |
| **Topic Sentence** (This is a sentence about the essay **topic** and the **sentences** in the body paragraph which will follow)   |   |
| **Explain** (educate your reader about your argument/reason why this is true)  |   |
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| **CONCLUSION**  |
| **Summary of arguments made** (use your topic sentences to help you)  |   |
| **Re-state contention** (State your contention for the final time, but do not copy the introduction)   |   |
| **Conclude** (ensure that your last sentence links to the topic and/or concludes with a relevant **closing comment** about the text)   |   |