

How to write an essay

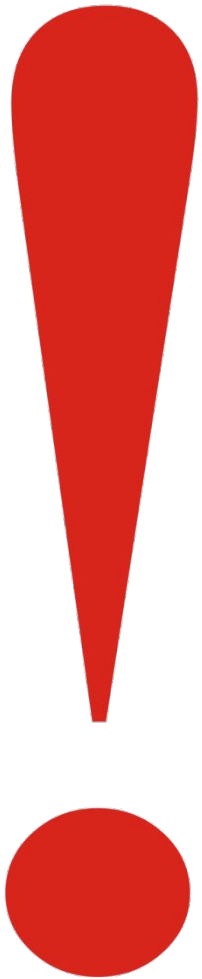
- ① Introduction
- ② Supporting
- ③ Supporting
- ④ Supporting
- ⑤ Conclusion

* Topics

- topic for all
- topics for paragraphs

* Outline

- short points
- important ideas



Essays providing solutions to problems are normally written in a **formal style**, and so you should **avoid** using **colloquial expressions, short forms or personal language.**

<i>formal</i>	<i>informal</i>
How do you do?	What's up?
It's a pleasure to meet you. Goodbye.	Nice to meet you. See ya (you).
I'm afraid your child is experiencing difficulty.	Your kid is making trouble.
Air consists of a variety of elements.	Air has all kindsa (kinds of) stuff in it.
it is not necessary for you to...	you don't hafta (have to)...
Entomology is a fascinating subject of study.	Studying bugs is like, really cool.
One grows weary in these matters.	I'm tired of this junk.
I agree with my colleague that...	Lily's right...
Please state your business.	Wha' d'ya (what do you) want?



Informal

to talk over
to make up
in the end
enough
better
to buy



Formal

to discuss
to invent
finally
sufficient
superior
to purchase

An essay consists of

Introduction

Main Body

for

against

yours

Conclusion

In the first paragraph we state
the problem

opening:

It is often said that ... / Many people claim that ...

Nowadays ... / These days ...

We live in an age when many of us are ...

***...is (are) one of the most serious problem (s)
that we have to deal with nowadays***

It goes without saying that ... is one of the most important issues facing us today.

The following essay takes a look at both sides of the argument.

*In the main body paragraphs we write our suggestions supported by possible results.
We write our suggestions in separate paragraphs.*

to introduce suggestions

**to begin(start) with
one way to
another solution would be
another way to ...
..... would be**

to express effect

**Thus...
Therefore....
As a result
Consequently ...
So
As a consequence...**

Read the problem and find the solution

**A lot of litter
in the street**

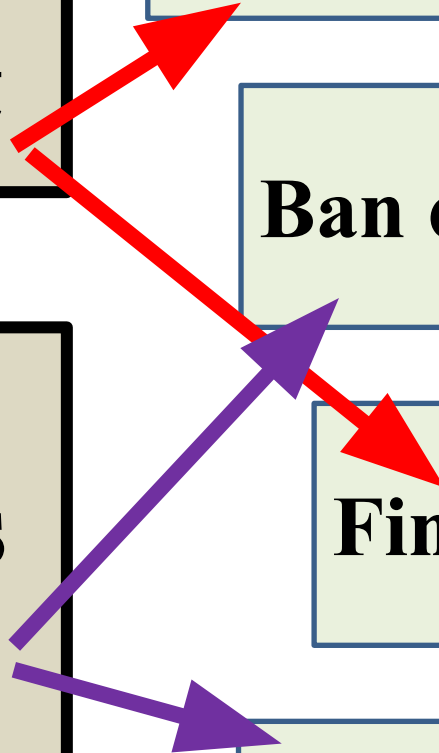
**Get young people involved in
clean –up programmes**

Ban cars from the city

Fine people who litter

**A lot of cars
and heavy
traffic**

Improve public transport



Read and find the result of the action(s)

1. **a** Fine people who litter
2. **c** Get young people involve in clean-up programme
3. **b** Set up recycling schemes in your area
4. **d** Only buy products with biodegradable packaging

- a. If people know that they will have to pay they will stop
- b. This way landfill sites will not become so full
- c. They will become interested in keeping their neighbourhoods clean
- d. Household rubbish will be reduced

In the conclusion we
summarise our suggestions

concluding:

To sum up, ... / In conclusion, ...

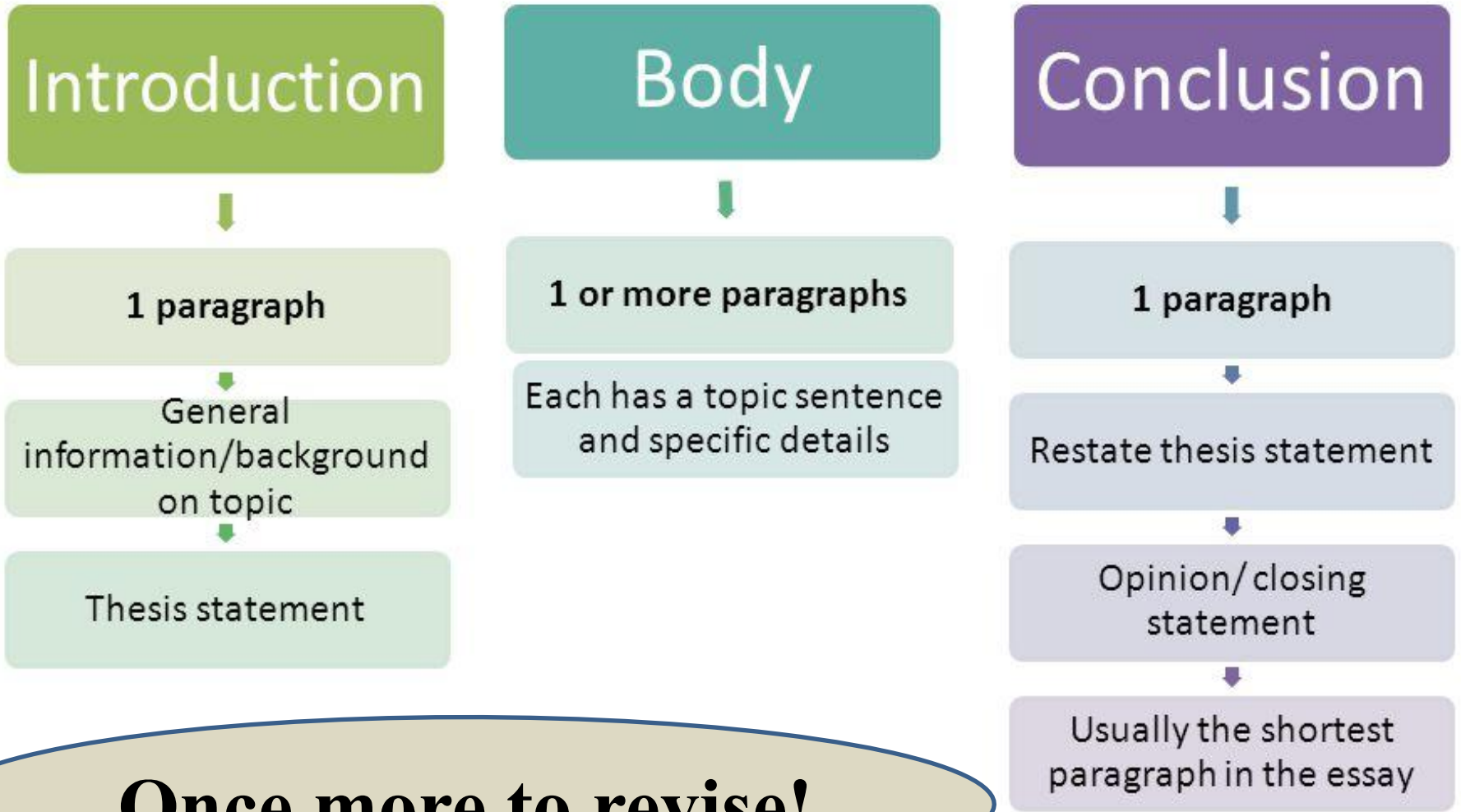
All things considered, ...

Taking everything into consideration, ...

Weighing up both sides of the argument, ...

The advantages of ... outweigh the disadvantages.

Essay Format



Once more to revise!

We've done it!

