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**Author Research Paper Outline**

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**I. Introduction**

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2. Thesis Statement:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**V. Conclusion**

1. Restate Thesis
2. Summary of Paper/Final Thoughts

Tips When Writing an Outline:

1. The more specific you make the outline the easier it will be to write the paper.
2. Write down your ideas in one to three words.
3. When you have an “A” you need a “B.”
4. Make sure that your subtopics fit together with your topics.
5. Always write down your sources beside your subtopics so you know where you got your information.

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“This is a quote” (Olson 1). 🡨Notice that the citation is in parentheses and has the author’s last name and page number. Also notice that the period is after the in-text citation rather than inside of the quotes.

Even when you summarize or paraphrase a sentence you must also cite the same way (Olson 1).

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If there is no page number then you just don’t need to put the page number in.