

ESSAY OUTLINE FORMAT

Here's an example of one way to structure an outline so that you can use it directly for writing your essay.

TENTATIVE OUTLINE FOR ESSAY AGAINST SMOKING IN PUBLIC

1. INTRODUCTION

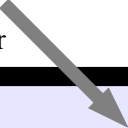
TOPIC SENTENCE: Smoking in public is a behaviour that we, as a society, ought to refuse to tolerate.

- i. experiences?
- ii. **smokers opinions:** will disagree.
(*explain why*)
- iii. reasons (2, 3, 4)

2. SMOKING IS RUDE

TOPIC SENTENCE: Although many people don't realize it, smoking in public is actually a very rude behaviour.

- i. other people don't like the **smell**, or get **sick** from smoke
- ii. smoke **spreads out**/affects others, especially in cases of
 - (a) asthma
 - (b) emphysema
 - (c) pregnancy
 - (d) (?)
- iii. **inconsiderate** behaviour



Although many people don't realize it, smoking in public is actually a very rude behaviour. This is because other people don't like the **smell** of smoke, or might get **sick** from smoke. Smoke doesn't stay near the smoker, but can **spread out** and **affect** other people or make them **sick**. People who have breathing problems like **asthma** or **emphysema**, who are **pregnant**, or who are **otherwise** sensitive to smoke can be **affected** just by being in the same room as someone who is smoking. This is why smoking **in public** is a very **inconsiderate** behaviour.

- i. smoking = cancer. not like 1950. everyone knows this now.
- ii. if you drink poison, knowing it will kill you = **stupid**. why not cigarettes?
- iii. do we tolerate other stupid, **self-destructive** behaviour in **public**? (examples = NO)
- iv. we shouldn't tolerate smoking.

5. CONCLUSION

TOPIC SENTENCE: Because smoking in public is not only rude, but unhealthy and stupid, there is no reason we ought to tolerate it as a society.

- i. ban?
- ii. insurance refusal?
- iii. public mockery / rejection
- iv. other?