

## 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

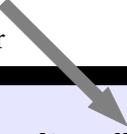
**TOPIC SENTENCE:** Smoking in public is a behaviour that we, as a society, ought to refuse to tolerate.

- 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?