Diagram of an Essay

Introduction

Opening remarks to catch the reader's attention and interest.
Thesis.
Writing plan.

Topic sentence (supporting point 1).
Specific supporting evidence.
Concluding sentence.

Body — supporting paragraphs.

Topic sentence (supporting point 2).
Specific supporting evidence.
Concluding sentence.

Topic sentence (supporting point 3).
Specific supporting evidence.
Concluding sentence.

Conclusion

Summary.
General closing remarks – linked to introduction and evidence. No new information.