

Expository (persuade with reasons/examples) Personal Evaluation Essay Format

Introduction Paragraph:

Start with facts about your life now.

Name several things you could do, why you would, things you have done, how you did, and give your opinions about them.

List all the ways (3 or more) you plan to achieve or did achieve success. (*Reasons/Points*) (These 3 *reasons /points* should be the last sentence of this paragraph. This is your "Thesis Statement")

Body Paragraph 1:

Use an order word from the transitions chart: "first of all, firstly, to open."

Repeat the first *reason/point* in the first sentence (Topic Sentence)

Give *supporting evidence/examples*. (Detail Sentences)

Write a sentence to sum all this information up. (Clincher Sentence)

Body Paragraph 2:

Use an order word from the transitions chart: "second of all, secondly, next."

Repeat the second *reason/point* in the first sentence (Topic Sentence)

Give *supporting evidence/examples*. (Detail Sentences)

Write a sentence to sum all this information up. (Clincher Sentence)

Body Paragraph 3:

Use an order word from the transitions chart: "third of all, thirdly, also, in addition."

Repeat the third *reason/point* in the first sentence (Topic Sentence)

Give *supporting evidence/examples*. (Detail Sentences)

Write a sentence to sum all this information up. (Clincher Sentence)

Additional Body Paragraphs if you need:

Use the same format as the first three body paragraphs.

Conclusion Paragraph:

Tell us something interesting/personal about your route to success, or use quotes with an explanation. (interesting facts/quote)

Use an order word from the transitions chart: "lastly, in conclusion, to conclude..."

Restate your "Thesis Statement."