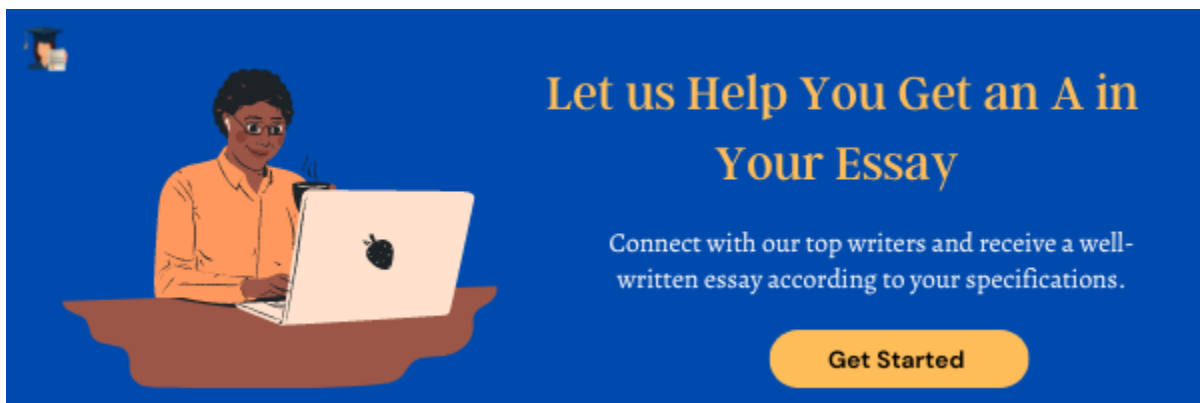


Critical Analysis Essay Outline Template

Introduction

- **Background Information:** Give the reader some context; help them understand the nature of the work.
- **Information**
 - Title
 - Author
 - Publication information
 - Statement of topic and purpose
- **Thesis statement:** the thesis statement is usually your reaction to the source you have analyzed.



Summary

Demonstrate that you have fully understood what you're talking about. Here is what to include:

- How has the author organised the text?
- Identify the intended audience and why the author has targeted them.
- Identify the author's assumptions about the intended audience.
- List and explain the rhetorical devices, language, and imagery that the author uses in the text.

Critical Analysis

Present your analysis of the work based on your reading and critical evaluation.

1. Talk about how the source is organised

2. Discuss the style and rhetoric of the source
3. How Effective were the source and the message
4. How was the topic treated? Was the writer biased, or did he do it justice?
5. Discuss how the source appealed to its target audience.

Note: The analysis is made up of several different paragraphs. And remember to explain your ideas using evidence and example from the text.

Conclusion

- Summarise your argument.
- Extend the argument.
- Show why the text is essential.