

# MLA Outline Format

1. **Title Page** (optional, depending on your instructor's requirements)
  - Title of the paper
  - Your name
  - Course title
  - Instructor's name
  - Date
2. **Thesis Statement**
  - Clearly state your paper's main argument or hypothesis.
3. **Introduction**
  - Introducing the topic.
  - Provide background information.
  - Narrow down to your thesis statement.
4. **Body Paragraphs** (Divided into various sections based on main points)
  - **Section Heading (if required)**
    - **Point 1**
      - Supporting detail
      - Example or evidence (cite sources in MLA format)
    - **Point 2**
      - Supporting detail
      - Example or evidence (cite sources)
    - **Point 3**
      - Supporting detail
      - Example or evidence (cite sources)
5. **Counter Arguments** (if applicable)
  - Present opposing viewpoints.
  - Refute with evidence and reasoning.
6. **Conclusion**
  - Summarize the main points.

- Restate the thesis in light of the evidence presented.
- Suggest further research or implications.

#### 7. **Works Cited**

- List of all sources cited in the paper, formatted according to MLA guidelines.

#### 8. **Appendices** (if necessary)

- Any additional material (charts, maps, photos, or other documents).

Each section should start on a new page. Remember to use consistent formatting according to MLA style guidelines, such as double spacing, 1-inch margins, and a readable font like Times New Roman 12 pt. Additionally, use in-text citations wherever you reference material from your source documents.