**Argument Essay Outline: (3 Pages)**

1. Introduction
	1. The “Inverted Triangle Method”
		1. Introduce the topic (1-2)
		2. Entertain both sides (1-2)
		3. Establish your **CLAIM** (Use your own words)
2. Body Paragraphs
	1. Body Paragraph 1 = Introduce your **Counterclaim**
		1. “It could be argued…”
			1. Offer one piece of Cited Textual Evidence (Page 86)
			2. Justify this perspective (why it could be this way)
	2. Body Paragraph 2 = Build your argument
		1. Use a transition (“However…” or “On the other hand…”)
			1. The first point to support your Claim
			2. One piece of Cited Textual Evidence (Page 26)
			3. **Explain** how this evidence justifies your argument
	3. Body Paragraph 3 = Continue building your argument
		* 1. The next points to support your Claim
			2. One piece of Cited Textual Evidence (Page 41)
			3. **Explain** how this evidence justifies your argument
	4. Body Paragraph 4 = Finish building your argument
		* 1. The last point to support your Claim
			2. One Piece of Cited Textual Evidence (Page 103)
			3. **Explain** how this evidence strengthens your argument
3. Conclusion
	1. Re-phrase the topic
	2. Re-emphasize your Claim (don’t repeat it)