
The Help Essay

Introduction

- a. Topic
- b. Anecdote or Quote from a given text
- c. Hint of Counterargument: Some would say...
- d. Claim statement

Supporting Paragraph 1

- a. Reason
- b. Focus on the details of one event to argue for claim
i.e. Minny's Firing

Supporting Paragraph 2

- a. Reason
- b. Focus on details of another event to argue for claim

Supporting Paragraph 3

- a. Counterargument: Some say...
- b. Focus on details of an event or use a quote from given texts to support.
- c. Refute counterargument with details of an event.

Conclusion

- a. Restate your claim in other words.
- b. Summarize two or three key points.
- c. Cap your essay with a concluding sentence(i.e. irony, humor, etc.)