

# ESSAY WORKSHEET

**LEAD:** Brainstorm/list details *leading up to* the main idea of the essay  
(information needed to provide a context; indicate order by numbering)

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**Thesis:** (The subject of the thesis statement is the topic of the essay. The remainder of the thesis statement is the purpose for writing about the topic (*the main idea*—some significant, important, relevant or valuable reason for writing about this topic.)

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**BODY:** Brainstorm/list details that *develop* the main idea of the essay  
(Items may be grouped by drawing connecting lines or ordered using letters or numbers)

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**CONCLUSION:** Explain significance, importance, relevance, or value