

MASTER OUTLINE

Name: _____

Date: _____ Block: _____

A well-developed outline will guide your paper better than a short outline. Well-developed means detailed but not “wordy.” All of your entries should be brief but complete, unless otherwise noted. You will then expand your thoughts when you turn this into your paper. Notice that categories still use Roman numerals and sub-categories still use , B, C.

I. Abstract (150 words, usually written LAST)

Introductory idea/ opening statement (*complete sentence*)

State 3 pieces of logic that rationalize your topic’s exploration

A (historical need)

B (Failed attempts for cure)

C (Plausible success)

Summary of your thesis, derived from your logic (*complete sentence*)

II. Introduction (150+ words)

Logic piece A from abstract

Support

Support

Support

Logic piece B from abstract

Support

Support

Support

Logic piece C from abstract

Support

Support

Support

Complete thesis, derived from your logic (*Complete sentence*)

III. Genetics of your topic: How it works. (Science heavy! 750 words)

Affected genes/ chromosomes

What is the process that passes it on?

What technology/ process/ mutations are used/ happen?

Process/ step A

How “A” works

Process/ step B

How “B” works

Process/ step C

How “C” works

IV. Thesis defense: why are you correct? (750 words)

Summarize your thesis

Counter-argument A:

Why “A” is wrong

Counter-argument B:

Why “B” is wrong

Convincing aspect of your thesis A

Why “A” is worthy

Convincing aspect of your thesis B

Why “B” is worthy

V. Conclusion and further studies (200 words)

Paraphrase you thesis

Summarize your logic/ findings

Suggest at least 2 further studies using “if ___ is investigated, then (doctors, people, etc.) will be able to ___”

VI. Works cited

Think of a works cited as a “limited bibliography.” The formatting is the same, but you only list materials you referenced in your paper. For example, if you used Wikipedia for background knowledge, but you did not paraphrase, summarize, or quote it do not list it in your works cited. (Wikipedia should not be cited in the first place.) If you included any images (and cited them), you must include them here as well. We will devote class time to developing the work cited/ bibliography at a later date.