Basic Essay Outline

I. Introduction
   a. Background Information
   b. Thesis Statement

II. First Body Paragraph
   a. First Point from Thesis Statement
   b. Research and Counter Arguments
      i. Subpoints
   c. Transition

III. Second Body Paragraph
   a. Second Point from Thesis Statement
   b. Research and Counterarguments
   c. Transition

IV. Third Body Paragraph
   a. Third Point from Thesis Statement
   b. Research and Counterarguments
      i. Subpoints
   c. Transition

V. Conclusion
   a. Restate Thesis Statement in a new way
   b. Summarize Body Paragraph in a sentence or two