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Handout 4B: Informative Essay Structure

Directions: Refer to the following model for guidance in structuring an informative writing piece.

Introductory Paragraph

H	Hook	Catch your audience's attention.	
I	Introduce	Introduce your audience to the topic.	
T	Thesis	State your essential idea about the topic,	
		and preview your	supporting points.

Body Paragraph

T o S	Topic Statement	State a point that supports your thesis.	
EC	Evidence	Cite evidence for your point, including necessary context.	
E	Elaboration	Explain how the evidence relates to the point.	
C	Concluding Statement	Close the paragraph.	

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	Evidence	Cite evidence for your point, including necessary context.	
	Elaboration	Explain how the evidence relates to the point.	
	Concluding Statement	Close the paragraph.	

Conclusion

C	Conclusion	Reinforce your thesis, reflecting on its significance.	
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