

## **ESSAY THREE ARRANGEMENT: EXORDIUM**

### I. Introduction

#### **A. Exordium**

B. Thesis

C. Enumeration

D. Exposition

1.

2.

3.

### II. Proof

#### A. Proof 1

1. support for proof 1

2. support for proof 1

3. support for proof 1

#### B. Proof 2

1. support for proof 2

2. support for proof 2

3. support for proof 2

#### C. Proof 3

1. support for proof 3

2. support for proof 3

3. support for proof 3

### III. Conclusion

A. Thesis

B. Summary of Proof

1.

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3.

## Type A: From “Cinderella”

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### **Thesis:**

Cinderella should have gone to the celebration.

### **Ask three questions.**

How would you respond to a king’s invitation?

Is it rude to stay home when you are invited to go somewhere?

What is the rarest opportunity you have received?

### **List two things you can challenge your readers to do that will arouse their attention.**

Seize opportunity while it lasts.

Think about what you would miss if you never left your home.

### **Provide a quotation relevant to the issue.**

Source: Revelation 3:20

Quote: “Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”

### **Exordium**

Challenge: Seize opportunity while it lasts.

## Basic Outline

- I. Introduction
  - A. Exordium: challenge on seizing opportunity**
  - B. Thesis: Cinderella should have gone to the celebration
  - C. Enumeration: for three reasons
  - D. Exposition
    - 1. Marriage
    - 2. Permission
    - 3. Family
  
- II. Proof
  - A. Marriage
    - 1. All beautiful girls, king invited
    - 2. No husband
    - 3. Prince chose
  - B. Permission
    - 1. Stepmother promised
    - 2. Birds gave dress
    - 3. Birds helped
  - C. Family
    - 1. Stepmother cruel
    - 2. Stepsisters wicked
    - 3. Not loved by father
  
- III. Conclusion
  - A. Thesis: Cinderella should have gone to the celebration
  - B. Summary of Proof
    - 1. Marriage
    - 2. Permission
    - 3. Family

## Type B: From *The Wind in the Willows*

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### **Thesis:**

Mole should have left his home.

### **Ask three questions.**

Have you ever felt the urge to get out of the house?

What adventures have you experienced?

Do you get tired of cleaning?

### **List two things you can challenge your readers to do that will arouse their attention.**

Enjoy the sun while it is out.

Imagine a beautiful day that you are unable to see because you are locked up in the house.

### **Provide a quotation relevant to the issue.**

Source: *The Wind in the Willows*, chapter 1

Quote: "Something up above was calling him imperiously, and he made for the steep little tunnel. . ."

### **Exordium**

Quote: "Something up above was calling him imperiously, and he made for the steep little tunnel. . ."

## Basic Outline

- I. Introduction
  - A. Exordium: quotation from chapter 1**
  - B. Thesis: Mole should have left his home
  - C. Enumeration: for three reasons
  - D. Exposition
    1. New spring
    2. New Friends
    3. New adventures
  
- II. Proof
  - A. Spring
    1. Sensed something calling
    2. Enjoy spring
    3. Experience the world above
  - B. Friends
    1. Alone
    2. Met Ratty
    3. To meet Badger
  - C. New Adventures
    1. To lunch at Toad Hall
    2. To go on a road trip with Ratty and Toad
    3. To help Toad save his home
  
- III. Conclusion
  - A. Thesis: Mole should have left his home
  - B. Summary of Proof
    1. New spring
    2. New Friends
    3. New Adventures

## Type C: From *Julius Caesar*

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### **Thesis:**

Brutus should not have stabbed Caesar.

### **Ask three questions.**

What kind of man betrays his friends?

Was Caesar Brutus' friend?

Will killing Caesar bring peace?

### **List two things you can challenge your readers to do that will arouse their attention.**

Defend the innocent.

Imagine betraying someone close to you.

### **Provide a quotation relevant to the issue.**

Source: Marcus Tullius Cicero

Quote: "Nothing is more noble, nothing more venerable than fidelity."

### **Exordium**

Question: What kind of man betrays his friends?

## Basic Outline

- I. Introduction
  - A. Exordium: question on betraying friends**
  - B. Thesis: Brutus should not have stabbed Caesar
  - C. Enumeration: for three reasons
  - D. Exposition
    - 1. Brutus
    - 2. Caesar
    - 3. Senate
  
- II. Proof
  - A. Brutus
    - 1. Caesar trusted
    - 2. Caesar's friend
    - 3. Respected leader of Rome
  - B. Caesar
    - 1. A hero
    - 2. The people supported
    - 3. Denied the crown
  - C. Senate
    - 1. All did not join the conspiracy
    - 2. No vote
    - 3. Many not aware of plot
  
- III. Conclusion
  - A. Thesis: Brutus should not have stabbed Caesar
  - B. Summary of Proof
    - 1. Brutus
    - 2. Caesar
    - 3. Senate