

### Paper Format

- 2-3 pages typed; a minimum of 5 paragraphs, sub paragraphs
- Sources must come from the the library database or a book
- Minimum of 5 sources
- Times New Roman, 12pt Font
- Double Spaced
- 1 inch margins
- Write in 3<sup>rd</sup> person (No I's, me's, mine, you, your, we, our, etc)
- Heading: Full Name  
1920's Research  
Period #
- Title-Center Aligned
- Header last name with page numbers
- MLA Works Cited Page—Last page of your paper

### Research Paper Outline

#### **Introduction**

A. Attention Getter—How can you creatively introduce your topic?

B. Central Idea—Introduce your topic and give definitions if necessary.

C. Thesis: Overview of subtopics (small questions) which are the points of paper.

*Example: College football is an entity which has overtaken the nation in its excitement and fervor enveloping people all year long. The behind the scenes the interworking of money is what makes college football tick; specifically, dollars made by each institution through TV deals and bowl games, and contracts shelled out towards top coaches to ensure successful seasons and fan support.*

#### **Body Address Research Question 1**

II. Address the research question #1 in the form of a topic sentence.

Evidence: What facts do your resources give concerning this question?

Explain: Discuss and explain your evidence in connection to your topic sentence.

**Body Paragraph #2**  
**Address Research Question 2**

III. Address the research question #2 the form of a topic sentence.

Evidence: What facts do your resources give concerning this question?

Explain: Discuss and explain your evidence in connection to your topic sentence.

**Body Paragraph #3**  
**Address Research Question 3**

II. Address the research question #3 in the form of a topic sentence.

Evidence: What facts do your resources give concerning this question?

Explain: Discuss and explain your evidence in connection to your topic sentence.

**Conclusion**

A. How is this topic relevant to the class?

B. How is this topic relevant to the larger picture of life or the world?

C. Explain why the reader should agree with you