

## Short Story Outline

### **I. Introduction (Beginning)**

- a. Hook
- b. Setting
- c. Introduce the story and start the beginning/exposition

### **II. Body 1 (Rising Action)**

- a. Topic Sentence (transition from introduction)
- b. Commentary (CM)
- c. CM
- d. CM
- e. CM
- f. Closing Sentence (lead into Body 2)

### **III. Body 2 (Climax)**

- a. Topic Sentence (transition from Body 1)
- b. Commentary (CM)
- c. CM
- d. CM
- e. CM
- f. Closing Sentence (Lead into Body 3)

### **IV. Body 3 (Falling action)**

- a. Topic Sentence (transition from Body 2)
- b. Commentary (CM)
- c. CM
- d. CM
- e. CM
- f. Closing Sentence

### **V. Conclusion (Resolution)**

- a. Wrap up your story

\*\*\*Explain how you were influenced by someone/something else in more detail OR how you influenced someone/a situation throughout the story