

ESLEO

How to write an Essay

Animal Farm- George Orwell

Paragraph 1 - Introduction

1. 1st sentence – Start your essay with something interesting.

If you could be president for a day, what changes would you make?

2. Introduce the novel/story and the author
3. Give a 1-2 sentence summary of the story.
4. Write a **thesis statement** that states what you are planning to talk about in the essay.

Sample thesis: “The novel “ Animal Farm” demonstrates how power change people from being innocent and caring, to evil.” **(This is what you will discuss in your essay)**

Paragraph 2 - 1st Body Paragraph

1. Clear topic sentence – state what you will be discussing in this paragraph.

Sample topic sentence: **“The pigs on animal farm begin by having good ideas about how run the farm without humans, but they become just as bad as Mr. Jones. .”**

2. **Give explanation, examples, and quotes from the story to support your ideas:**

Old Major gave them the idea to create a new farm without humans, where all animals are considered equal, and are treated well. However, one the rebellion takes place, the pigs begin to change.

3. **Explain your ideas in more details.**

The pigs started taking certain food for themselves, and telling the animals lies. They took the milk ad apples, but didn't share with the others. This was one thing that Mr,. Jones did, that made them angry. The pigs explained

that they didn't even like milk and apples, but needed it because it was brain food. They have already begun to show that they think they are better than the other animals, and can do what they want.

4. **Concluding Sentence:** End your paragraph by explaining why your ideas prove your point.

Sample concluding sentence: “Even though the pigs said they were going to be better than Mr Jones, they are doing the same things that the did. Because they have power, they are now taking advantage of the other animals “

Body Paragraph 2 & 3 - Follow the same format as Body Paragraph 1

Paragraph 5 – Conclusion

1. Remind the reader about your topic, and what you proved in your essay.

Animal Farm shows us that, even when we start out doing good, having power can make us become just as bad as the people before us. The pigs proved that it is impossible to be a ruler and make everyone be equal, and that running a country is very hard.

2. End with a question to the reader about your topic. You may also use a quote that makes a point about your topic

Sample final question: What would you do if you were in charge of running a country?