## 5 Paragraph Cause and Effect Essay Outline

The outline for a cause and effect essay depends on the additional instructions your teachers assign. However, they often want you to write a five-paragraph paper in which case the outline would be:

- 1. Introduction paragraph- where you introduce your topic and state your thesis.
- 2. Supporting paragraph 1- where you discuss one idea that supports your thesis
- 3. Supporting paragraph 2- where you discuss a second idea that supports your thesis.
- 4. Antithesis paragraph- where you entertain the opposing side's argument (ex: if you chose global warming, you might write about how some deny its existence).
- 5. Conclusion- here you may restate your thesis and present any ideas or thoughts for future research on this topic.

