THESIS PARAGRAPH DIAGRAM

Identify the THEME of your paper: __________________________________________
What will be the PURPOSE of your paper? / What are you going to prove?
_________________________________________________

List the THREE scenes you will use to illustrate your THEME’s PURPOSE:

Scene One: _____________________________________________________________
Found on page(s) ______________________

Scene Two: _____________________________________________________________
Found on page(s) ______________________

Scene Three: _____________________________________________________________
Found on page(s) ______________________

These three scenes become your three Body Paragraphs

Introduce your Theme’s Purpose
________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________
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Begin to introduce characters or general plot
________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________
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Stay on your theme’s purpose
________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________
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Thesis Sentence
________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________
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HINTS:
1. Use transition words/phrases between sentences.
2. Linking sentences: pull a word or a phrase from one sentence and use it in the next.

Begin with a broad factual statement. Create interest. What? Where? When?

Narrow the focus. Who? Plot?

Continue to narrow the focus.

Author
Title
theme
setting ??
PTAV
BODY PARAGRAPH DIAGRAM

TOPIC Sentence / SCENE

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First Supporting Evidence / Detail

Detail from the Scene: __________________________________________

___________________________________________________________

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Detail Explained: ____________________________________________

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Who
Whom
What/Detail

Citation: ( )

Why

Options:
1-Extend
2-Emotion
3-Pos or Neg
Consequence

Second Supporting Evidence / Detail

Detail from the Scene: __________________________________________

___________________________________________________________

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Detail Explained: ____________________________________________

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Who
Whom
What/Detail

Citation: ( )

Why

Options:
1-Extend
2-Emotion
3-Pos or Neg
Consequence

Summary Sentence

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1-theme
2-review the
two details
3-why is this
important?
BODY PARAGRAPH DIAGRAM

TOPIC Sentence / SCENE

First Supporting Evidence / Detail
Detail from the Scene: ____________________________________________ Citation: ( ).
Detail Explained: ________________________________________________

Second Supporting Evidence / Detail
Detail from the Scene: ____________________________________________ Citation: ( ).
Detail Explained: ________________________________________________

Summary Sentence

1-theme
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3-why is this important?
Summary Paragraph

Thesis Sentence

Re-word/re-order your original thesis sentence:
Author, Title, theme, setting, PTAV

Review Three Body Paragraph Topic Sentences

Use the basic idea for each of your Topic Sentences to write:
  a. a list of three in a sentence, or
  b. a sequence of three complete sentences

So what?
  Emphasize the purposes' VALUE or CHANGE.

Does your theme and purpose
  a. prove it’s worth, or
  b. does it change over time?