Final Exam Essay Preparation

Please complete this task either on your computer on paper and consider using the results on your exam card.

Name:

Final Exam Essay Topic:

Title of Essay:

Introduction:

1. Hook statement that sets up the key topic your essay will make an argument about.
2. Text/author identification: what text(s) and author(s) are you going to use in the paper. *Does this meet any specific number required by the essay?*
3. Thesis: the specific point (not the promise that there will be a point) you want to prove about your topic.
4. List 3-5 major points that will have their own paragraphs.
5. End with a callback to thesis.

For Each Body Paragraph:

1. Transitional phrase
2. Main point of paragraph and connection to thesis of paper.
3. Supporting quote
4. Analysis of quote
5. Concluding thought about main point of paragraph

Conclusion:

1. Transition (not “in conclusion”)
2. Reminder of topic and thesis
3. Tie all major points together
4. Broader implications.