

Introduction Template
Research Paper Introduction

“Hook” the reader with a sentence or two. Set the context of your paper. (Meaning time period, major event going on...in other words set the stage.) Please do not start with a question. 2-3 sentences



“Map Out” your argument. Tell the reader the main points that you plan to make for each body paragraph.



End the Introduction by stating your THESIS. This is the answer to the essay question. This is the argument that you are going to make and prove in your essay. It needs to directly answer the question.



Example: It is clear that _____, _____, and _____ are important examples of how the US decision to drop the atomic bomb was justified.

Your example: