**FSA ESSAY FORMATTING**

Introduction Paragraph

1. Grab the reader’s attention (Opening Statement)
2. Give background information on the topic
3. Thesis Statement

Body Paragraph

1. Transition and Reason
2. Evidence (make sure to cite)
3. Explain your evidence
4. Elaborate (Connect to the evidence)

Conclusion

1. Restate your thesis
2. Summarize your main points
3. End with a clincher, a lesson, or idiom that connects with the topic.