SAMPLE OUTLINE FOR RESEARCH PAPER
Add more body paragraphs, details, and source materials (quotes, paraphrases, and summaries) as needed.
Except for thesis statement and conclusion, complete sentences are not necessary in an outline and should be avoided.

INTRO HOOK: __________________________________________________________

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THESIS STATEMENT = NARROWED TOPIC + CONTROLLING IDEA

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PRIMARY SUPPORT I: ____________________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 1 (DETAIL): __________________________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT II: ____________________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 2 (DETAIL): __________________________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT III: ____________________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 3 (DETAIL): __________________________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT IV: ____________________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 4 (DETAIL): __________________________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT V: ____________________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 5 (DETAIL): __________________________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT VI: _________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 6 (DETAIL): _______________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT VII: ________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 7 (DETAIL): _______________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT VIII: ________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 8 (DETAIL): _______________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT IX: _________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 9 (DETAIL): _______________________________________

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PRIMARY SUPPORT X: _________________________________________________

SECONDARY SUPPORT 10 (DETAIL): _____________________________________

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CONCLUSION: _________________________________________________________

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