**Oral Arguments**

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1. Introduction: (Restate) V (Structure of a right side up “V”)
   1. Start with a broad statement of the topic.
   2. State your 3 points.
   3. End with your thesis.
2. Body: (3 Supports)
   1. Start with a transitional topic sentence. (Relates to your previous paragraph, but starts a new topic)
   2. Have one properly cited support from a legitimate source. Discuss how this relates to your thesis.
   3. Repeat the process until you have three supports for your thesis. (3 separate paragraphs of your body)
3. Conclusion: (Extend) Λ (Structure of a upside down “V”)
   1. Start with a similar statement to your thesis.
   2. Restate your three key points in at least 3 separate sentences. (Not word for word)
   3. End with at least one sentence concluding why your position is clearly correct.

Notice how the above format states your thesis twice and your three key points three times. (I will be looking for that in grading.) You may use PowerPoint to help with your argument, but be cautious because it can distract your audience. Remember your goal is to convince your audience your position is correct!