**Transition-Idea-Details-Connection**

**& how this applies to organizing your essay**

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| **TRANSITION**  **(Introduce the idea)**  ***Part of topic sentence*** | **IDEA**  **(State the idea)**  ***Part of topic sentence*** | **DETAILS**  **(Explain and give examples of the idea)**  ***Paragraph body*** | **CONNECTION**  **(Make a connection to your essay’s idea)**  ***Concluding sentence*** |
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