



The Empirical Study Outline

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Part One: Literature Review

Introduction:

Hook - _____
_____.

- Bridge -
- Provide background information

_____.
 - Build up to the research question

_____.

Thesis (Summarize the themes of your research) - _____
_____.

Body Section 1: (2-3 paragraphs)

Topic Sentence - _____
_____.

- Bridge - Present the current research on the topic
- Introduce Source 1, Briefly Summarize, Respond

_____.
 - Introduce Source 2, Briefly Summarize, Respond

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 - Introduce Source 3, Briefly Summarize, Respond

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Transition - _____
_____.

Body Section 2: (1-2 paragraphs)

Topic Sentence - _____
_____.

Bridge - Describe what research still needs to be done

_____.

Transition - _____
_____.

Body Section 3:

Summarize your main points thus far

- Body 1 - _____

- Body 2 - _____

- Overall Analysis of the Research - _____

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Transition - _____
_____.



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Part Two: The Empirical Study

Body Section 4: (1-2 paragraphs)

Topic Sentence - _____
_____.

Bridge - Describe the study you have conducted

_____.

Transition - _____
_____.

Body Section 5: (1-2 paragraphs)

Topic Sentence - _____
_____.

Bridge - Describe what data you collected

_____.

Transition - _____
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Body Section 6: (1-2 paragraphs)

Topic Sentence - _____
_____.

Bridge - Analyze your data and present the answer to your research question.
Include thorough explanation.

_____.

Transition - _____
_____.

Conclusion:

Reword Your Thesis - _____
_____.

Bridge - Summarize your main points

- Part 1 - _____

- Part 2 - _____

- Limitations of your Study - _____

_____.
- Overall Analysis of the Research - _____

_____.

Final Thought - _____
_____.