

BRAINSTORM FOR EXPLANATION ESSAY **Name:** _____

Topic/Thesis State: What do you want the reader to learn?

Start here:

Why is it important?

Materials: What will you need to complete your task?

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✓ **WRITE THE THREE STEPS THE READER WILL NEED TO FOLLOW**

Beginning Steps:

First,

Next,

What could go wrong?

Middle Steps:

So,

Then,

What do we need to watch carefully?

Final Steps: *Your final steps are...*

At this point...

Finally,

Why is it important to follow these steps carefully?

✓ **Thesis Statement/Main Idea** -Write a complete sentence

Topic Sentence: What is the topic? What do you want the reader to learn?
Start here:

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✓ **Supporting details** -Write complete sentences

Write why this is important to learn how to do:
Start here: *Learning how to ...*

Write why it is important to follow the subsequent steps carefully:
Start here: *It is important to follow the subsequent steps carefully to ensure...*

Write what is needed to complete your procedure:
Start here: *In order to...*

✓ **Conclusion** -Write a complete sentence

Briefly describe the end result(s):
Start here: *When you finish, you will ...*

Notes:

✓ **Topic Sentence** -*Write a complete sentence*

Topic Sentence: Introduce the beginning steps.
Start here: *These beginning steps...*

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✓ **Supporting Details – Describe the first steps in detail using adjectives and adverbs** -*Write a complete sentence*

Start here: *First,*

Start here: *Next,*

Tell what could go wrong:

Start here: *Make sure that...*

✓ **Transitional Sentence** -*Write a complete sentence*

Start here: *Now you are ready to...*

Notes:

✓ **Topic Sentence** -*Write a complete sentence*

Topic Sentence: Introduce the middle steps.
Start here: *At this point...*

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✓ **Supporting details** – Describe the middle steps in detail using adjectives and adverbs
-Write complete sentences

Start here: *So,*

Start here: *Then,*

Write what we need to watch carefully. *-Write complete sentences*

Start here: *Be certain...*

✓ **Transitional Sentence** - *Write a complete sentence*

Start here: *Now that you have...*

, you are ready to...

Notes:

✓ **Topic Sentence** - *Write a complete sentence*

Topic Sentence: Introduce the final steps.
Start here: *Your final steps...*

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✓ **Supporting details** – **Describe the final steps in detail using adjectives and adverbs** - *Write a complete sentence*

Start here: *At this point,*

Start here: *Finally,*

Write why it is important to follow these steps carefully.

Start here: *Following these steps is important...*

✓ **Conclusion** - *Write a complete sentence*

Concluding sentence: Briefly describe the end result.
Start here: *After completing these steps, you should be able to...*

Notes:

✓ **Topic Sentence** -Write a complete sentence

Topic Sentence: What did you want the reader to realize?

Start here: *Now that you have learned to ...*

you will be able to...

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✓ **Supporting Details** -Write a complete sentence

Why is it necessary to follow these steps carefully?

Start here: *It is important to follow these steps carefully so that...*

Tell the reader of other resources they may research to learn more.

Start here: *For more information, you may...*

✓ **Conclusion** -Write a complete sentence

Concluding/Summary statement: *Write how the reader will benefit from this task.

Start here: *Knowing how to...*

Notes: