

Introduction Writing Template

Use this template to craft clear, effective introductions for book reports, essays, or analytical assignments. Each section guides you in building a strong opening that sets context and presents your main focus.

1. Hook (1–2 sentences)

Choose *one* strategy:

- Start with a meaningful quote
- Present a surprising fact or insight
- Pose a thought-provoking question
- Make a bold or thematic statement

Template:

“[Hook that captures attention and connects to the book’s central idea.]”

2. Basic Book Information (1–2 sentences)

Introduce the text clearly and concisely. Include:

- Title
- Author
- Publication year
- Genre
- Brief note on the setting or subject

Template:

“*Title* by Author (Publication Year) is a [genre] that explores [brief premise or central situation].”

3. Background Context (Optional, 1–2 sentences)

Use only if needed to help readers understand the book.

Useful for:

- Historical novels

- Books with complex settings
- Works tied to real events or cultural issues

Template:

“Set against [context], the book highlights [relevant background element].”

4. Thesis Statement (1–2 sentences)

This is the most important part of the introduction.

Your thesis should:

- Make an interpretive claim
- Identify the main focus of your analysis
- Provide direction for your report

Template:

“The book reveals that [main argument about theme/character/message], showing how [specific focus that your report will analyze].”

Complete Fill-In Template (All Parts Together)

“[Hook sentence introducing a theme, question, or striking idea.]

In *Title*, Author (Year) presents a [genre] about [brief premise or situation].

[Optional background context sentence if needed.]

This report argues that [thesis statement—your main analytical claim].”