Evaluation Essay Outline

Introduction

- **Present the Subject.** Write a paragraph introducing the subject to the reader by
- **Thesis:** Your Judgment on the Subject. Write your complete thesis statement, which includes your judgment and reasons for support. The reasons are your judgments on the evaluative criteria you have identified to evaluate your subject.

Use the word "because" to connect your judgment to your reasons.

Body of Argument

Reason One

- **First Criteria:**

State, as a topic sentence, your judgment on the first evaluative criteria, and use appropriate transition words/phrases to move from thesis to first reason. Also, restate the wording of the first reason so it doesn't simply copy the reason as you stated it in the complete thesis. Example: "The first reason to avoid Kevin Smith's movies is the low-brow humor."

- **Support for Reason One:**

Textual support, quotations, examples, expert authorities, cases, statistics, comparisons to similar subjects, analogies (comparisons to somewhat related subjects).

- **Address objection, and refute:**

Arguments are always strengthened when the writer addresses opposing reasons to his/her own through fair and thorough paraphrase, summary and quotation, including the exact reasoning the opponent intended. It shows confidence.

Reason Two

- **Second Criteria.** State, as a topic sentence, your judgment on the second evaluative criteria, and use appropriate transition words/phrases to move from thesis to first reason. Also, restate the wording of the first reason so it doesn't simply copy the reason as you stated it in the complete thesis. Example: "Another reason to avoid Kevin Smith's movies is not only the low-brow humor, but also the offensive language used to "be funny".
- **Support:** Textual support, quotations, examples, expert authorities, statistics, analogies (comparisons to related subjects).
- **Address objection, and refute.**
- **Reason Three.** Repeat above.

Conclusion

- **Restate thesis and premises:** alter the wording so that this is not merely a copy of the complete thesis in the introduction. Make a recommendation?