



How To Create An Outline

Outlining and taking notes from your reading is an important part of content reading. Writing a correct outline can organize your reading in a way that makes it easy to read with the important events, people and places highlighted. So how do we do this? Use the following to outline a template from your lessons.

I. Large, blue headline

A. Subheading (If there is none, you can usually make one from the first few lines in the text)

1. Important people, places or events. (Bold words or texts are good to place in here)

a. Explain the previous people, place or event in a few describing sentences.

Here's a sample outline from the material you've been reading.

I. African Americans in the British New World.

A. Life in British New World

1. Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade

a. The system of trade which brought Africans to the new world for slavery.

2. Colonial Slavery

a. Bringing slaves from Africa to America to use for slave labor.

b. Produces goods which were shipped to Europe.

B. African Slave Traders

1. Africans who sold other Africans

a. These were usually men captured in war and sold for weapons.

C. Middle Passage

1. Horrific boat passage from Africa to the Americas

a. Many Africans died on this passage.

D. Harsh Slave Codes

1. Adopted to keep the slaves obedient

E. Colonization brought people together

1. Native Americans

2. Africans

3. Europeans