The students completed a pyramid first (attaching my example).



My example that I did in class with the students is Winter.

(*This will be Paragraph One*)

Hook – write one sentence to get the reader’s attention.

Topic Sentence (OPINION) – state your opinion on why “winter” is the best season.  **One sentence**.

Reason 1 – The word that is in the box on the left of the three on the second level down. My word is Christmas I will write **one sentence** about Christmas.

Reason 2 – The word that is in the box in the center of the second level down. My word is Weather I will write **one sentence** about Weather.

Reason 3 – The word that is in the box at the center of the second level down. My word is Birthday I will write **one sentence** about Christmas.

Closing Sentence – Write **one sentence** summarizing what you just wrote in the above sentences.

(This will be Paragraph Two)

Reason 1 – My reason is Christmas I will write **one sentence** explaining why I like Christmas.

Reason you feel your opinion is correct (Detail 1) (Third row down) – I wrote lights and decorations on my pyramid, I will write **one sentence** about this.

Reason that supports your reason with more details (Detail 1 Example) (Bottom row on pyramid) – I wrote Houses with lots of Christmas lights on my pyramid, I will write **one sentence** about this.

Reason you feel your opinion is correct (Detail 2) (Third row down) – I wrote family and friends on my pyramid, I will write **one sentence** about this.

Reason that supports your reason with more details (Detail 2 Example) (Bottom row on pyramid) – I wrote Have family together to eat and play games on my pyramid, I will write **one sentence** about this.

Reason you feel your opinion is correct (Detail 3) (Third row down) – I wrote activities on my pyramid, I will write **one sentence** about this.

Reason that supports your reason with more details (Detail 3 Example) (Bottom row on pyramid) – I wrote going to the Nutcracker on my pyramid, I will write **one sentence** about this.

Closing Sentence – Reason 1 is restating my opinion that “winter is the best season” in **one sentence**.

*This ends the first paragraph. The same is done for paragraphs three and four.*

*Use details from the pyramid.*

Paragraph 4, the conclusion.

Wrap up – this is a **one sentence** summary of your opinion.

Reason 1 – Why an alternate choice wouldn’t work for you. I would write **one sentence** explaining why Christmas won’t work at another season since it is in December.

Reason 2 – Why an alternate choice wouldn’t work for you. I would write **one sentence** explaining why Weather won’t work at another season since I like the snow.

Reason 3 – Why an alternate choice wouldn’t work for you. I would write **one sentence** explaining why Birthday won’t work at another season since it is in December.

Review your three main statements – write **one sentence** summarizing your three main statements. I will write about Christmas, Weather, and Birthday.

Future Statement – Looking ahead with your opinion – **one sentence** supporting your opinion (Winter is the best season) to close your paper.