

INTRODUCE

Make your argument/
point in one or two
sentences. This
statement should answer
the prompt.

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PROVIDE CLOSURE

Provide closure in one or
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