

## Research Simple Introduction Section Construction Plan

**Example sentences based on a position-style research paper where the writer takes a stand on a topic.**

### Introduction Section: One Page Plan

**1st: Open with a simple, insightful, statement about your topic that the reader will accept.**

Use the thesis statement sentence of your introduction paragraph to help create this initial statement. Avoid "absolute" words like *all*, *always*, *every*, and *no one*.

**Example: Businesses need success to prosper.**

**2nd:** The second sentence narrows the idea presented in the opening statement and leads the reader toward the specific focus of the research paper. The reader must accept the second sentence as a natural transition from the first sentence.

**Example: Employees are an important component of any businesses' success.**

**3rd:** Create a complex sentence that **expands** on the first two sentences. Useful transition words/phrases to begin the sentence with include: because, although, when, if, sometimes, in order, and after.

**Example: In order for a business to be successful, its employees must possess solid work habits.**

**4th through 10th:** The writer gives the background information on the topic including sentences that contain the who, what, where, when, why, and how of the topic. Historical information on the topic, along with information with the opposing viewpoint that frames the debate must be included.

**Sentence Before Final Sentence:** This sentence "sets up" the thesis statement. It helps the reader transition into the thesis statement in a smooth fashion.

**Final Sentence of Introduction Section.** The last sentence of the introduction paragraph states what the piece will show or attempt to prove to the reader, and it includes all of the main points to be discussed in the body paragraphs.

**Example: Because employers want to succeed, they look for employees who have a positive attitude, provide customer service, and are willing to ask questions in order to improve.**