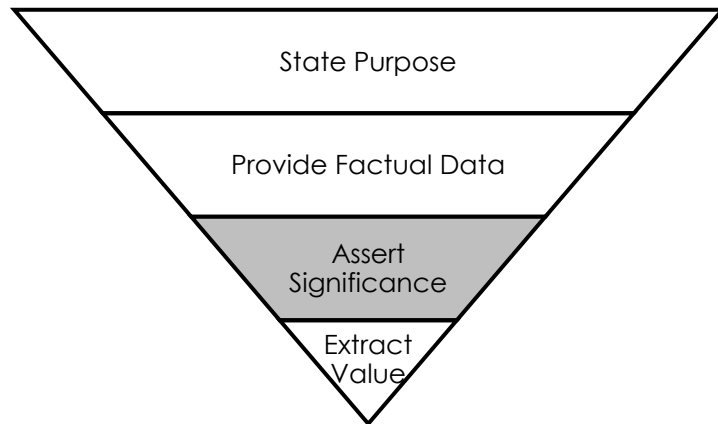


## Analysis

Incorporating well thought-out **analysis** is crucial to the success of a paragraph, because it explains to the reader the significance of the paragraph within the essay.



The diagram explains the logical progression of a body paragraph: The topic sentence states the purpose of the paragraph. Facts and details provide specific evidence for support. Analysis asserts the significance of the evidence. The conclusion sentence extracts the value in the paragraph.

### Purpose + Logic + Proof

**Purpose** combines evidence with viewpoint to convey a message, advance an argument, and convince the reader to act, change, or believe.

**Logic** thoughtfully and deliberately demonstrates a sensible connection between evidence and purpose.

Analysis provides **proof** that the evidence is relevant to the argument at hand.

Identifying both the author's intent and the purpose of the work will help guide you as a writer.

Things to consider when analyzing:

1. Have you interpreted the deeper meaning and significance of the work?
2. Have you identified the author's intent and the purpose of the work?
3. Is there a connection between your analysis and your thesis in a way that strengthens your argument?
4. Did you analyze information that is relevant to your essay?
5. Have you clarified and explained your analysis in a way that the reader will understand?

### Ask yourself ...

- ☒ Did you offer evidence to support and address each of your claims?
- ☒ Have you effectively analyzed your evidence in a way that supports your claims?
- ☒ Have you provided specific examples, vivid details, illustrations, and/or statistics and facts?