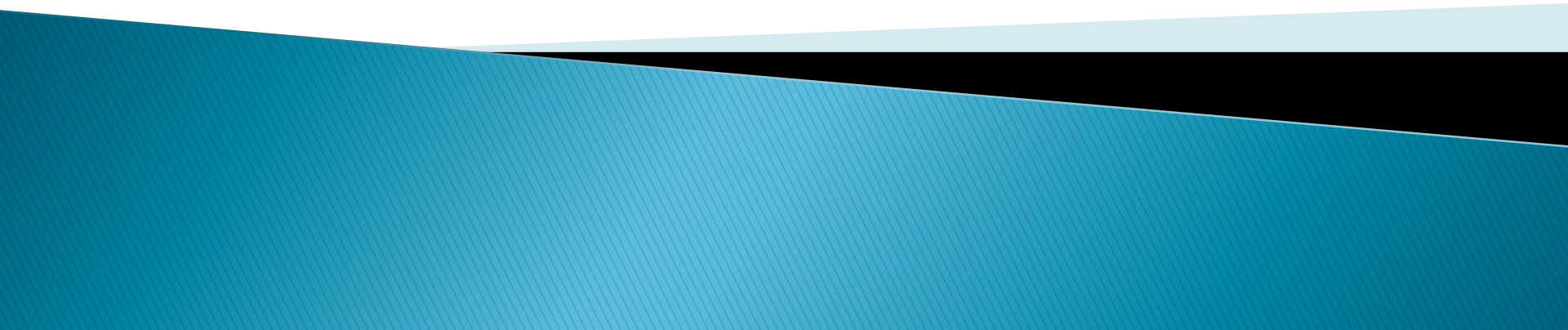


Working Outlines for The Word Search

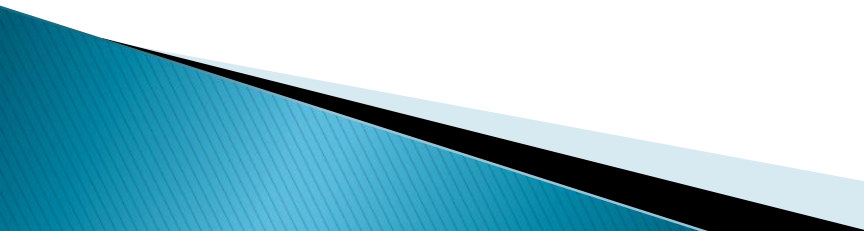
The purpose of the outline is to force you to think through the points you will make about each source and the order in which you will make these points.



Before Outlining:

- ▶ Consider how you see yourself discussing your source information. Will you organize your ideas:
 - Chronologically? (First I explored the dictionary and thesaurus. That led me to think about this idea, so I took a look at the Bible to see what it had to say...)
 - In thematic groupings? (3 sources have to do with the idea that beauty can be deceptive, so you want to discuss all three of those ideas in the same paragraph)
 - In a problem/solution format? (“I am a prisoner; only the truth can set me free.” Follow this opening with a description of the *problem* – why you are a prisoner – and then describe your search for a *solution*.)
 - In terms of causes and effects? (Take several paragraphs to discuss the causes of obsession; then describe the effects – you may even want to comment on whether or not there is a cure)
 - With some combination of the above strategies?

Detailed Outlines include:

- ▶ A section (roman numeral or other way of numbering) for each paragraph (including intro and conclusion) as you envision it. Use the detailed outline as a way to discover exactly how many paragraphs you'll need to describe your word search. A basic organization is one paragraph per source, plus intro and conclusion.
 - ▶ A clearly formed topic for each section. This can be expressed in a sentence, question, or simply a phrase, but must clearly indicate the ideas you will discuss in the section.
 - ▶ The sources you will discuss in each paragraph, and the ideas to which these sources led you.
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Partial Example

(Intro + first body ¶)

- I. Introduction: Mrs. Irene Green comes to me,, Chicago's number one private investigator, to help solve the mysterious case of what jealousy really is. Jealousy is a part of all of us, a slippery crime with fatal consequences.
- II. Jealousy is an inevitable trait produced at birth that causes severe, ruinous and painful repercussions in all types of relationships.
 - A. Bible quote – targets women as the cause of jealousy
 - B. Familiar Quotations – “Love is as strong as death, jealousy is as cruel as the grave.” Jealousy is worse than death.
 - C. OED – Jealousy and fear are closely related.
 - D. Oxford Thesaurus – jealousy is not limited to love relationships and it is caused by insecurity, spite, and covetousness.