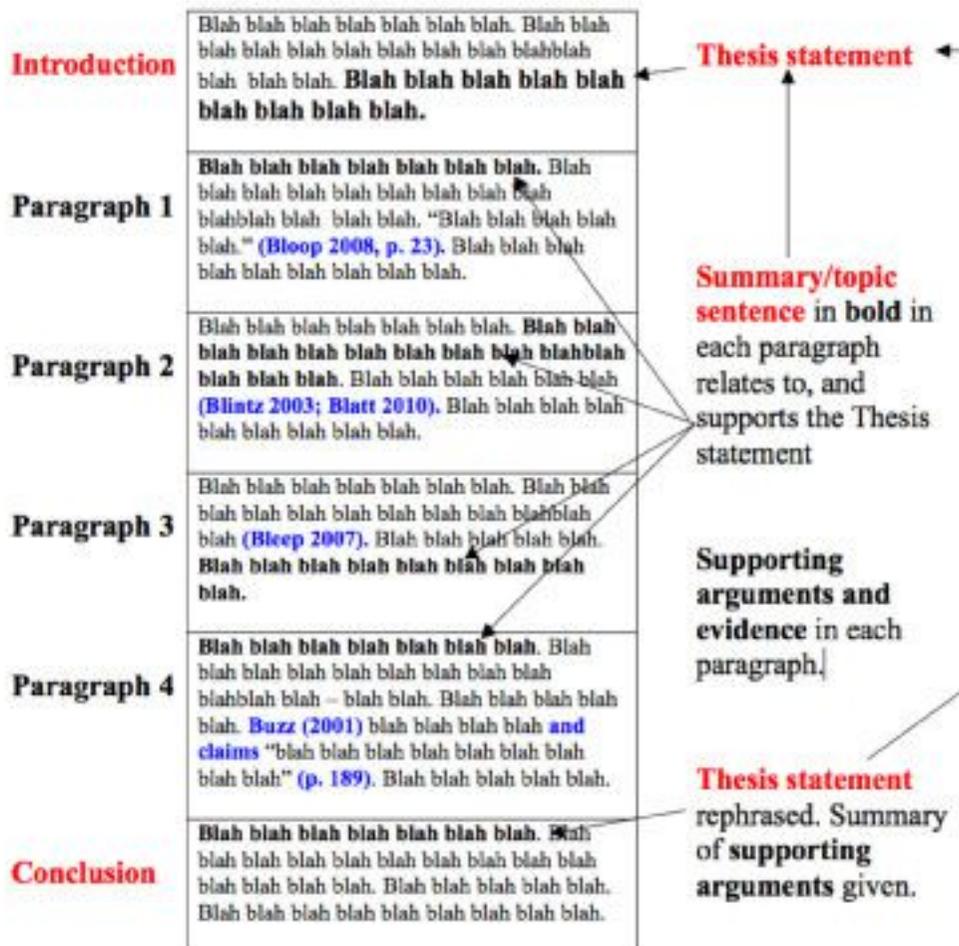


A typical structure for an academic essay

Academic essays in English may take several forms. One typical structure is demonstrated in the diagram below. This structure includes the main point of the essay in the **introduction**. The supporting points (sub points or arguments) that you are making appear in the **paragraphs**. The number of these body paragraphs may vary depending on the length of your essay. Here we show only four. The **conclusion** more or less repeats the main idea from the introduction.

A structure of an essay in English*



* There are other possible structures for essays. This is one possible one. In other languages and other academic cultures different structures may be more common. If English is your second or additional language, you might be used to writing using a different structure.