Outline Format

*** The MLA outline uses a combination of Roman and Arabic numerals and Contemporary English Letters. Below is **an example of an MLA outline.**

Title of Outline

I. Main Heading #1
- *A. Sub Heading #1*
  - *1. Details for sub heading #1*
  - *2. More Details for sub heading #1*
  - *3. More Details for sub heading #1*
    - *a. Information on specific detail*
    - *b. More Information*
- *B. Sub Heading #2*

II. Main Heading #2

Example for the above Template

Origins and Traditions: Ancient Worlds (c. 3000 B.C. – A.D. 1400)

I. Historical Background

A. Ancient Middle East: Origins

1. 2000 B.C. Southwest Asia-Modern Day Iraq
2. River Valley b/tw Tigris and Euphrates
3. Mesopotamia G. *"the land between two rivers"*
4. Sumerians
   - a. Unidentified people
   - b. 1st Civilization
     - i. Cuneiform
     - ii. Number system based on 60

iii. 1st wheeled vehicles

iv. 1st city-states

B. The Babylonians

1. Sargon of Agade (2334-2279 B.C.)
    a. Founded Akkad Region
    b. Created Akkadian lang.
2. Amorites (c. 2000 B.C.) find Babylon on Euphrates River
3. Hammurabi (c. 1792-1750)
    a. Makes Babylon the capital of Empire
    b. Famous for legal code 282 laws

C. Ancient Egypt G. *"The Gift of the Nile"*

1. Developed the same time as Sumerians along the Nile in Africa
2. Nile is the source of food and trans.
3. Divided into Upper Egypt (S) and Lower Egypt (N)
4. 2900 B.C. = Pharoahs
    a. Early Dynastic period (c. 2925-c 2575 B.C.)
    b. Old Kingdom (c. 2575-2130 B.C.)
    c. Middle Kingdom (c. 1938-1600 B.C.)
    d. New Kingdom (c. 1540-1075 B.C.)
5. Some invasions, yet protected by land and sea barriers
6. Pharoahs = gods