Topic : Climate Change.

Your outline needs to include:

* **A thesis statement**
* **Lines of evidence to support or contradict your thesis statement (at least 3)**
* **References (at least 3, one from files (Solomon~~.pdf, Developing~~.pdf) two from other)**

References must be properly cited in your paper. For our purposes, in the text, the following style is required:

Backsoon and Seeyah (1998) showed that water flows uphill. More recent work has shown that you can lead a horse to water and you can make it drink (Backsoon, 2001). Finally, it remains unclear if it is the heat or the humidity (Backsoon et al., 2005), but whatever the cause, cosmic forces may be at play in determining the fate of the globe (The Onion, 2008).

In the "References" section at the end of the paper, the following style of citation is required:

Journal articles: Backsoon, I.L.B, and Seeyah, B.I. 1998. El Nino or El Nonsense? Journal of Cosmetology 1:115-119.

Books: Backsoon, I.L.B. 2001. The facts behind clichés. 2nd ed. Bemidji State University Press, Bemidji, MN.

Newspaper or magazine articles: Backsoon, I.L.B., Verisi, X.O., and Enopi, L.M. 2005. Heat or humidity? Duluth Daily Diatribe. 2 January, p. A2.

Web Sources: The Onion. 2008. Scientists warn large earth collider may destroy earth. http://www.theonion.com/content/news/scientists\_warn\_large\_earth.  (Date viewed: 18 December 2008).

**Here is an example outline:**  
Thesis statement: Uncontrolled nitrogen emissions in China have contributed to decreased biodiversity by facilitating eutrophication, increasing the acidity, and increasing the toxicity of lakes.  
  
Important background information (in introduction):  
• How eutrophication, acidity, and toxicity are related to water quality  
• Relationship between water quality and biodiversity  
• How nitrogen emissions can cause eutrophication, acidity, and toxicity  
  
Main body paragraph topics:  
1. How nitrogen emissions have caused eutrophication and decreased biodiversity  
2. How nitrogen emissions have increased water acidity and decreased biodiversity  
3. How nitrogen emissions have increased water toxicity and decreased biodiversity