Sociology Paper Outline

I. **Introduction:** When writing an introduction writers should be asking themselves questions like, “What topic is this paper about?” or “What is this paper accomplishing?” Reviewing literature? Present research findings? Make an argument?
   
   **A. Introduction Paragraph:** Your introduction paragraph can be dedicated to your thesis. It is the main argument of any essay, featured right up front in the essay’s introduction, and it tells your reader in no uncertain terms where you stand. This paragraph should describe what the paper is about as well as briefly introduce your 3 supporting points in a thesis. Make sure to be clear, too often thesis statements are full of overly complicated language and jargon.

II. **Main Sections (the number of these you have will depend on the requirement length for the paper):** A body should be consisting of the evidence collected, explanations of its relevance, and analysis of the data.
   
   **A. Subtopics (the amount of these will vary, depending on the length of the paper, and the amount of evidence that is wish to analyze)**

III. **Conclusion:** To conclude, how the research that is presented, related to the topic of your paper should be review for coherence.. What conclusions do you draw based on the research or readings?
   
   **A. Restate Thesis/Review Main Points**
   
   **B. Closing Thoughts**