Every Essay’s Title is Centered & Properly Capitalized

Indent all first lines of new paragraphs: Begin typing your information and clearly introduce what your essay’s focusing on. There should be no quotes or “supporting” material in your introduction since you are just introducing your audience to the topic of the essay and are not specifically arguing anything like you do in body paragraphs. Clearly begin transitioning from general information to more specific/analytical. Now your argument should start showing your audience how/why you are illustrating or arguing what you are and how/why this interpretation is significant for them to consider. Continue developing your idea. Give a specific, independent sentence showing what your essay’s central idea is and how/why this is significant (this is called a thesis).

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