Stick Up your Hands for Gun Control
an Online Outline

Introductory Paragraph

Begin with an interesting quotation related to your opinion about gun control

(You will need a transition here)

- End the Intro paragraph with your thesis statement:

Even though some people believe it's a right to carry firearms, handguns should be outlawed because it's too easy for criminals to get handguns and too many innocent people are dying from accidental shootings.

Body Paragraph #1

Topic of the body thesis:
some people believe it's a right to carry firearms

- Find evidence - like facts, examples, quotations, or statistics that back it up or support the topic sentence of this paragraph.

- Explain how your evidence supports the topic sentence

Another example that shows that some people believe it's a right to carry firearms is...

- Find more evidence - facts, examples, quotations, or statistics that back it up or support the topic sentence of this paragraph.

- Explain how this second piece of evidence supports the topic sentence.

Body Paragraph #2

Even though some people believe it's a right to carry firearms, handguns should be outlawed because it's too easy for criminals to get handguns.

- Find evidence - like facts, examples, quotations, or statistics that back it up or support the topic sentence of this paragraph.

- Explain how your evidence supports the topic sentence
Another example that shows that it's too easy for criminals to get handguns is...

- Find more evidence - facts, examples, quotations, or statistics that back it up or support the topic sentence of this paragraph.

- Explain how this second piece of evidence supports the topic sentence.

**Body Paragraph #3**

The most important reason handguns should be outlawed is because too many innocent people are dying from accidental shootings.

- Find evidence - like facts, examples, quotations, or statistics that back it up or support the topic sentence of this paragraph.

- Explain how your evidence supports the topic sentence

Another example that shows that too many innocent people are dying from accidental shootings is...

- Find more evidence - facts, examples, quotations, or statistics that back it up or support the topic sentence of this paragraph.

- Explain how this second piece of evidence supports the topic sentence.

**Conclusion**

So you can see that although some people believe it's a right to carry firearms, handguns should be outlawed for two main reasons. First, it’s too easy for criminals to get handguns. But most importantly, too many innocent people are dying from accidental shootings.

- Now you will return to your opening attention-getter from the introduction

- Then end your essay with a powerful *So What?* statement.