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Prewriting

Historical Question: Is Maryland more northern, more southern, or should it be called a middle ground? Provide evidence to support your response.

Title to the essay: _____

Paragraph One

Interesting topic sentence to grab the reader: _____

Brief background to set the scene: _____

Stating the question with key terms defined: _____

Thesis: _____

Paragraph Two

State first reason: _____

Provide evidence: _____

Explain argument (connect the evidence to the thesis): _____

Paragraph Three

State second reason: _____

Provide evidence: _____

Explain argument (connect the evidence to the thesis): _____

Paragraph Four

State third reason: _____

Provide evidence: _____

Explain argument (connect the evidence to the thesis): _____

Paragraph Five

Conclusion (restatement of the idea): _____