MEL-Con Paragraph: Graphic Organizer

M = Main Idea (topic sentence/claim)	L= Link (<u>Your</u> explanation of how the example link to or supports the main idea. This is your warrant. Be sure to use the key words from your main idea)
E = Evidence/example (facts, quotes, etc.)	Con= Concluding statement (a one sentence summary of your main ideas and examples all on one sentence)

	M Main Idea Topic Sentence
Transition to 1 st example	Е
	1 st example or evidence
	L
	Your linking of the example to the main idea
Transition to 2 nd example	Е
	2 nd example or evidence
	L
	Your linking of the example to the main idea
Transition to 3 rd example	E
	3 rd example or evidence
	L
	Your linking of the example to the main idea
Transition to conclusion	Con
	Rephrase your main idea and summarize your examples