

Comparison and Contrast Essays

To draw distinctions between related subjects

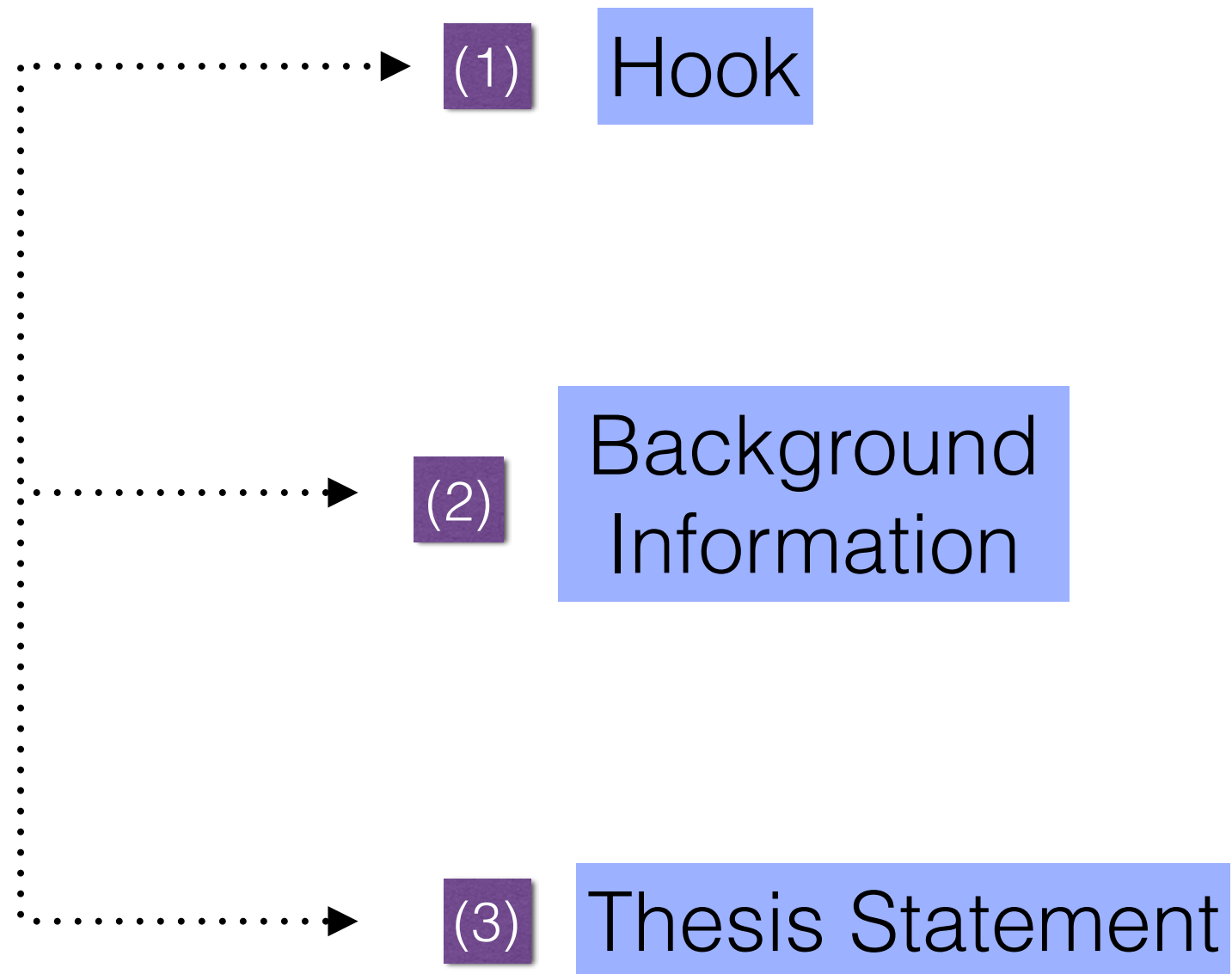
To recommend a choice between two things

To examine advantages and disadvantages

Show how one subject has changed

To propose an idea, criticise a change, or make a prediction.

The Introduction



Thesis Statement

- Refer to the handout
- <https://www.press.umich.edu/pdf/0472031937-templates.pdf>

Focus on Differences

- Although Chinese and Italian cuisines have certain features in common, they differ in terms of **available ingredients and eating utensils**, and **in the rules and rituals of eating.**

Focus on Similarities

- While Chinese and Italian cuisines differ in some ways, they are similar in terms of their **emphasis on noodles, their flavour preferences, and their cooking methods.**

Body Paragraph

Topic Sentence

**Supporting
Sentences and
Details**

**Concluding
Sentence**

Point-by-point Organisation

Body Paragraph 1: point 1 **Definition**

Subject A: Artificial Foods → Clear Definition

Detail

Detail

Subject B: Natural Foods → No legal definition

Detail

Detail

Block Organisation

Body Paragraph 1: Subject A: —————> Artificial Foods

point 1 **Definition** —————> Clear Definition

Body Paragraph 2: Subject B in comparison to Subject A

Natural Foods in comparison to Artificial Foods

point 1 **Definition** —————> Not as clearly defined

The Conclusion

