Name _____ Date _____ Period _____

What is the topic of your expository essay? Why do you want to write about this topic?

What is your thesis? (Use this structure: Although + qualification (admit there is another side - what is that other side?) + your claim or stance on the topic)

How will you draw readers into your essay? Is there an anecdote (brief story) that you can tell that shows your topic?

How will you support your thesis? What main points will you make to support your claim?

How will you illustrate each point? What stories or evidence or examples could you use for each support point?

How will you conclude your essay? How can you connect back to the opening of your essay?