

I. Introduction

A. Background information on topic

B. Thesis Statement: The devastating effects of El Niño have not been lessened by the ability to predict its occurrence.

II. Weather extremes _____ (First Subtopic)

A. **Drought** _____ (First Point)

1. **Australian drought** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

2. **African drought** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

B. **Floods** _____ (Second Point)

1. **Peru and Ecuadorian flooding** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

2. **Polynesian typhoon** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

3. **California mudslides** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

III. Economic Devastation _____ (Second Subtopic)

A. **Peruvian Fishing Industry** _____ (First Point)

1. **Loss of nutrients due to upwelling** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

2. **Fish kill** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

B. **Asian agricultural failure** _____ (Second Point)

1. **Thai rice, rubber and sugar crop failure** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

2. **Australian wheat crops** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

IV. Disease _____ (Third Subtopic)

A. Mosquito borne illness due to flooding _____ (First Point)

1. **Malaria** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

2. **Dengue Fever** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

3. **Encephalitis** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

B. Contaminated water supply diseases _____ (Second Point)

1. **Cholera** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

2. **Hepatitis** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

3. **Typhoid** _____ (Supporting Evidence/Documentation)

V. Conclusion - A restatement of the main points of your paper reaffirming your thesis.

A. Summary of main points

B. Restatement of thesis statement