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**Argument Essay: Introductory Paragraph**

**Topic: Did Santiago Nasar deserve to die?**

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| 1. | Hook: Opening statement or question about topic (death, murder) in general. |

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| 2. | TAG Sentence: Write a sentence that mentions the title, author, and genre of the book and relates to the topic you mentioned in your opening sentence. \*Be sure to punctuate the title, and potentially the appositive, correctly. |

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| 3. | Contextualize: Build on the topic of your paper, and explain how it relates to the work. You need to be specific here; you can generalize what happens or provide a direct example from the text. |

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| 4. | Thesis: Write a sentence that acknowledges both sides of the argument, but clearly states which side you’re on. You can be specific and list the reasons you feel the way you do, but you don’t have to.  Ex. Although some people believe \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it’s obvious that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. |

\*Combine these sentences to create your introductory paragraph.