Holiday Essay Assignment

Students will write a five paragraph essay about their favorite holiday. This should be a persuasive essay that provides not only some historical facts about the holiday but also arguments as to why it is the best holiday (remember there cannot be any I statements). The paper should be two pages double spaced and include a works cited page. Students must include at least two different reputable sources with regards to their essay. The format of the essay should be as follow

**Paragraph 1:** Thesis

Introduction

Support for your thesis

**Paragraph 2:** Historical reason as to why is it the best holiday

Details, Details, Details!!

**Paragraph 3:** Personal reason as to why it is your favorite holiday

Must be told in third person and include details, details and details!!

**Paragraph 4:** Historical reason as to why is it the best holiday

Details, Details, Details!!

**Paragraph 5:** Conclusion
Another way to organize an essay is to follow this basic outline form:

Topic________________

Thesis Statement (One sentence that tells the reader what the essay will discuss.)______________________________

Body Paragraph #1 main idea

Detail #1______________________________

Detail #2______________________________

Detail #3______________________________

Body Paragraph #2 main idea

Detail #1______________________________

Detail #2______________________________

Detail #3______________________________

Body Paragraph #3 main idea

Detail #1______________________________

Detail #2______________________________

Detail #3______________________________

Conclusion (Wrap up essay and leave reader with interesting thought.)______________________________