Introduction: **Make it brief, include some context if it’s relevant to the question and introduce the theme or whatever it is you are going to analyse in this essay**

* Published in….during/after the social context of….
* Shakespeare presents the themes/idea of…
* He engages his readers…

*Example for a* ***different*** *book:* Published in 1937 during the social context that followed America’s ‘The Great Depression’ of 1929, John Steinbeck presents his readers with various themes and motifs that continue throughout the novel. Notably, as referenced in this section, the theme of loneliness is particularly prominent shown by the various literary techniques used by Steinbeck.

Sentence Starters: **You must always introduce a point with a generalised stance**

* Firstly, secondly, additionally, furthermore, lastly…
* It is evident that…
* It is undeniable that…
* The key aspect discussed here is that of…
* One example of how Shakespeare shows this idea is…
* On one hand/on the other hand…

To Demonstrate: **When you introduce a point, use sophisticated language**

* This contrasts with
* Thus portraying/showing/suggesting
* Nevertheless/nonetheless
* Likewise, as well as this
* Another esencial point is
* Additionally
* Furthermore, also
* This emphasises/highlights/underlines
* Portraying the idea that
* This explores the idea that…
* This demonstrates that…
* This explains…
* Which suggests…
* Which suggests connotations of…
* This presents…
* This identifies…
* Is defined by…
* This illustrates

Incorporate Context if it’s relevant:

**Don’t ever forget that some of your marks are awarded for your knowledge of history at the time**

* This idea references the idea of the impact on the Elizabethan audience by…
* This could be interpreted as a reference to the social behaviours/norms of the time (inequality for women, patriarchal society, expectations of men)
* It is important to note that this \_\_\_\_ reflects a view/theme of the Elizabethan era that….
* Historically/in the past/formerly/traditionally/originally/during the time

Reference the Text: **Always incorporate sophisticated language when you reference the text- if you don’t know a quote still give evidence by explaining what happens or what is said.**

* For example, this can be seen in chapter \_\_\_ during which \_\_\_
* Specifically/ Such as/ for instance/ as can be seen in
* The use of the word/key phrase/device/punctuation demonstrates
* To illustrate this, Shakespeare uses…
* **You will need to discuss approx. 5 key events that link to the question in as much detail as possible. If the extract from part a is relevant, you can also use this.**