

# EE8 – Flow of Thought Outline

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## **Restate the flow of thought in the passage in your own words.**

1. Start with the main ideas and their relationships  
e.g. “Paul commands us to... and the reason he gives for doing this is...”
2. Then describe the smaller relationships  
e.g. “His reason has two parts: the negative reason... and the positive...”
3. An outline is usually the best way to do this, but it is not absolutely mandatory that you use an outline form.
4. Make sure your restatement communicates two things:
  - a. What each proposition says in your own words
  - b. How the propositions relate together.