Problem and Solution Essay

Body Paragraph

Directions: Read the following sections from a body paragraph of a problem and solution essay. Identify each part and then rearrange the sections to form a full paragraph.

Therefore, this serious yet unacknowledged problem needs prompt attention.

a. Hook b. Conclusion
c. Evidence d. Topic sentence

As people get older, their needs change, as they may no longer be able to work, read, or do even the simplest household tasks; this places a demand for assistance from specialized individuals and facilities.

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On the other hand, some are able to cook, do minor chores, and groom themselves, but they too require periodic checkups to ensure they stay in good health. Unfortunately, the current labor force is unable to meet the needs of those in their twilight years, resulting in the escalation of health problems among the elderly.

a. Explanation of problem b. Explanation of solution
c. Evidence d. Topic sentence

People over 65 have an increased risk for severe health-related problems, as "aging increases the risk of chronic diseases such as dementia, heart disease, type 2 diabetes, arthritis, and cancer" (CDC). This therefore means they will unavoidably have to depend on others to care for them, whether family, friends, or caregivers.

a. Direct quote + narrative citation b. Direct quote + parenthetical citation
c. Paraphrase + narrative citation d. Paraphrase + parenthetical citation

The World Health Organization explains that for senior citizens, proper health care and social connection are paramount to a good quality of life, as a lack thereof can lead to other risk factors such as social isolation and loneliness.

a. Direct quote + narrative citation b. Direct quote + parenthetical citation
c. Paraphrase + narrative citation d. Paraphrase + parenthetical citation

However, in today's society, the number of geriatric care facilities and staff available is limited. In an article published in the Journal of the American Geriatric Society by Hogeveen et al., it was reported that there are "shortages of geriatricians" and facilities that cater to the elderly in numerous parts of the United States. On the one hand, most elderly people require 24-hour care to manage and treat the conditions they suffer from.

a. Hook + supporting details b. Conclusion + supporting details
c. Evidence + supporting details d. Topic sentence + supporting details

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