TOPIC SENTENCE

POINT (#1)

PROOF

EXPLANATION

CONCLUSION/TRANSITION (TO POINT #2)

THESIS:

Personal cellular devices **are problematic** in the hands of students because they cause a distraction, invite disruption, and perpetuate cyber bullying.

Cell phones are a hindrance to students because they allow for a ***distraction*** from their studies. Despite the fact that a smart phone can tap into information from around the globe in an instant, cell phones and the social networking capabilities they offer, often ***sidetrack*** students from the task at hand. For example, a quick click and swipe in search of information for a project can almost instantaneously be interrupted by a text message, an incoming email, perusal of Facebook or the bleep bleep of a BBM. For the reason that students are often connecting with others via their cell phones, these devices encourage socializing which ***distracts*** students from their work. The same propensity to socialize which ***diverts*** *the attention* of individual students often causes disruptions in whole class situations.