YOUR ASSIGNED TERM PAPER TITLE HERE

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ABSTRACT

Your 100-250 word abstract briefly describes the context, the importance of the issue(s) you are considering, any key question(s) that the term paper focus on, key ideas from sources that you have read, and your main conclusions. (Note that everything that appears with yellow highlighting in this example needs to be replaced with your own material.) Please use 12-point Arial font.

INTRODUCTION

Use this part of your paper to give an overview of the issue that you have been assigned, emphasizing past work. Make sure that you have appropriate literature references, and that you cite them this way [1-3]. Lead up in a logical way to the main question(s) that you have been asked to address in your term paper. Typically your introduction should be about a page or two before you get to your first main heading, and it should include the following Subheadings. Your whole INTRODUCTION section, including the Problem Statement and Hypothesis should be two to four pages in length. For the term paper, as a whole, including REFERENCES, please aim for 8-10 pages (single-spaced). If you include any figures, the artwork must be your own originals. Direct quotes from the literature are not permitted in your term paper, even when cited; rather I want you to express each idea in your own words.

Problem Statement

This section should include the problem statement that you were assigned, plus a paragraph or two explaining the issue to the reader. For instance, you might mention issues that papermakers have faced, leading you to the conclusion that the question is important. You might say something about what kinds of advantages might follow if a good answer or answers were found to the problem statement.

Hypothesis

In this section, limited to one paragraph, or a paragraph followed by bullet points, I want you to propose a possible way that the problem statement could be resolved. The hypothesis should be written in the form “It is proposed that...” Try to write the hypothesis statement in a way that it leads logically into two, three or four main issues, corresponding to the MAIN HEADINGS that follow.
YOUR NEXT MAIN HEADING AFTER “INTRODUCTION”

Your new material goes here. It would be wise to start with an outline and plan how you will break down your subject into a logical sequence with MAIN HEADINGS and two or more Subheadings under each main heading. Keep in mind that one or your main goals is to find out whether the literature that you have looked at supports, does not support, or disproves part of your hypothesis.

Your First Subheading

Your stuff. This could be anything between a paragraph and a page.

Your Second Subheading

Your stuff. This could be anything between a paragraph and a page.

Etc…

YOUR NEXT MAIN HEADING

I want you to introduce your second main topic in general, with at least a paragraph, before you have a Subheading.

Subheading

Your stuff. This could be anything between a paragraph and a page.

Etc…

CONCLUSIONS

1. Please arrange your conclusions in a logical order, usually with the most important conclusion first. Do not justify your conclusions here, but the justifications must be present somewhere in the body of the paper.
2. Your second conclusion goes here. Please use full sentences.
3. Your third conclusion goes here. Aim for 3-6 conclusions.
4. Etc.

REFERENCES

