

Argument outline sample outline & diagram
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Passage you were to outline & diagram

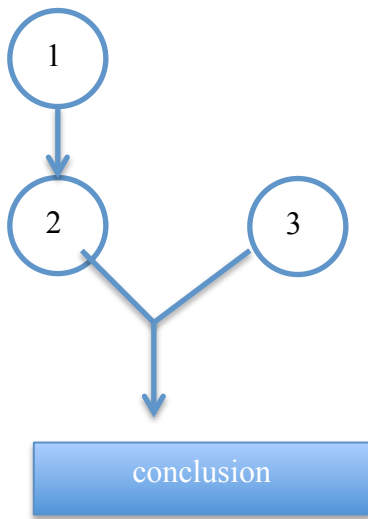
[F]riendship is the most trustworthy preserver and also creator of pleasure alike for our friends and for ourselves. It affords us enjoyment in the present, and it inspires us with hopes for the near and distant future. Thus it is not possible to [have] uninterrupted gratification in life without friendship ... [Also, we can't] preserve friendship unless we love our friends as much as ourselves. [So] this unselfishness does occur in friendship, while also friendship is closely linked with pleasure.

-- this is from Cicero, on Epicureanism

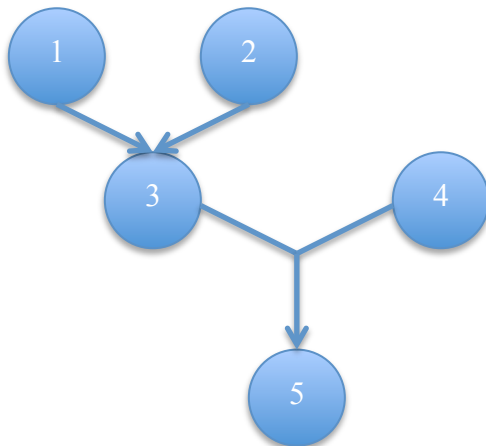
Sample outlines & diagrams

The samples that follow could each fit the argument

1. Friendship gives us pleasure in the present and the future
 2. So we can't have uninterrupted pleasure in life without friendship
 3. We can't preserve friendship unless we love our friends as much as ourselves
- So unselfishness does occur in friendship while friendship also brings pleasure



1. Friendship is the most trustworthy preserver and also creator of pleasure alike for our friends and for ourselves.
2. It affords us enjoyment in the present, and inspires us with hopes for the near and distant future.
3. Thus, it is not possible to have uninterrupted gratification in life without friendship.
4. We can't preserve friendship unless we love our friends as much as we love ourselves.
5. So, unselfishness does occur in friendship, while also friendship is closely linked with pleasure.



It's also not unreasonable that 1 and 2 are co-premises.

Another diagram, using the same outline:

