Analyze the religions that were practiced and do they still thrive today, how was your individual involved?

St. Patrick was a Christian leader who brought his religion and missionary work to Ireland in the 4<sup>th</sup> century CE. He was originally from England and part of the Roman Empire. St. Patrick was a pivotal figure for Christianity in Ireland and he made an important impact on the previously pagan world. Many religions other than Christianity were practiced during his life and they had many different beliefs. Some of these religions are still thriving today. Thanks to St. Patrick, Christianity is the most prevalent religion in Ireland.

St. Patrick was involved in Christianity through his missionary work, baptisms, spreading the teaching of the bible, and organizing the church. "blah blah" (author's last name or article title). Explain this evidence as needed. Then connect to thesis.

## **Evidence = facts and quotes from research**

Explanation = details that explain the evidence if needed

Justification = proof that the evidence proves your claim

- Major religions Pagan (many Gods, celtic), Christian, Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism
  - $\,\circ\,$  Explain and analyze each
- Thriving All major religions still thriving except for Paganism
- Resistance to change
- Accomplishments baptisms, blending Christianity and paganism, missionary, preaching, organizing church

## **Conclusion:**

## **Re-state main points**

## So what? Why does this matter in our world today?

St. Patrick's leadership had a profound impact on Ireland and to this day, he is remembered as a patron saint. St. Patrick was one of many religious leaders who influenced western Europe through his teachings. Christianity gained popularity, and St. Patrick was successful in blending traditional pagan rituals with Christian beliefs. **St. Patrick's influence is important because** Christianity became the major religion in Western Europe throughout the middle ages, into the Renaissance and even up until today. The Christian church eventually held almost complete power over the kingdoms of Europe in the middle ages. Religion shaped the lives of Europeans and, after exploration and colonization, the lives of people all over the world.

Sentence starters:

This is important because...

This lead to...

As a result of this...