Defining Moment - ROUGH DRAFT TEMPLATE

Directions: Use your graphic organizer to turn your ideas into complete sentences in the appropriate places. When you are finished here, copy & paste your sentences into the same order on a new document to make a formal paragraph composition!

Prompt: We all experience highs and lows in life, both of which play a role helping us figure out who we are. No one knows this better than Jack Jablonsky, who suffered a life-changing injury while doing his favorite thing - playing hockey. Consider how Jack used a tragic moment to define himself and then explain a moment in your life that was challenging to experience but helped define you as a person in a positive way.

OVERALL Topic Sentence: (Put your TOPIC & CONTROLLING IDEA together to introduce your main idea) - This should address the main idea of your WHOLE essay!

Paragraph #1 - How can any past experience affect your IDENTITY?

Topic Sentence: (Put your TOPIC & CONTROLLING IDEA together to introduce your main
idea)
Detail #1:
Elaboration #1:
Detail #2:
Elaboration #2:
Detail #3:
Elaboration #3:
Concluding Sentence: (Restate the Main Idea)

Paragraph #2 - How did Jack Jablonsky's experience play a role in his IDENTITY?

Topic Sentence: (Put your TOPIC & CONTROLLING IDEA together to introduce your main
idea)
Detail #1:
Detail # 1.
Elaboration #1:
Detail #2:
Elaboration #2:
Detail #3:
Elaboration #3:
Concluding Sentence: (Restate the Main Idea)

Paragraph #3 - How did YOUR MOMENT define YOUR IDENTITY?

Topic Sentence: (Put your TOPIC & CONTROLLING IDEA together to introduce your main idea)
Detail #1:
Elaboration #1:
Detail #2:
Elaboration #2:
Detail #3:
Elaboration #3:
Concluding Sentence: (Restate the Main Idea)
OVERALL Concluding Sentence: (Restate the Main Idea) - <i>This should wrap up the ideas</i> you shared for your WHOLE essay!