**TOK essay planning structure**

**Make sure you:**

* Include specific examples (**spegs**) to support your claims
* Discuss both a claim and counterclaim
* Consider the implications of your arguments; if they are true, what does this mean?
* Break your ideas up into paragraphs
* **Look carefully at the rubric before writing.**

**Structure:**

* **Introduction** - define key terms, provide a thesis statement
* Main (AOK I):
	+ **Claim:** - point - explanation - evidence (including specific examples)
	+ **Counterclaim:** point - explanation - evidence (including specific examples)
* **Evaluation** - to what extent does you counterclaim **invalidate** your claim (if at all)?
* Main (AOK II):
	+ **Claim:** - point - explanation - evidence (including specific examples)
	+ **Counterclaim:** point - explanation - evidence (including specific examples)
* **Evaluation** - to what extent does you counterclaim **invalidate** your claim (if at all)?
* Analysis

 - sum up your findings from your AOKs

 - point out any areas of comparison between the two

 - point out any areas of contrast between the two

 - what does this tell you about knowledge in your respective AOKs?

* Conclusion

 - synthesise your findings

 - answer the question!

 - last sentence = final judgement on TOK Q from you