**Order of Sentences #1:**

**Reasons Paragraph with Embedded Counterclaim**

**• Topic/Transition Sentence**

**about the Claim and the Major**

**Reason**

**• Lead-off and Follow-up Sentences**

**about the Major Reason**

**• Topic/Transition Sentence**

**about the Counterclaim and**

**Opposite Reason**

**• Lead-off and Follow-up Sentences**

**about the Opposite Reason**

**Interestingly, bikers claim that biking to work can actually save time. For example, they say that riding a bike gives the commuter a lot of flexibility. When they encounter a traffic jam or an accident, they can quickly take another road. They don’t get stuck in traffic. Also, bikes take up little space, are easy to maneuver, and can weave through bumper-to-bumper traffic easily. They can travel down the side of the road or even on a sidewalk if the law allows. As a result, bikers are more likely to get to work on time than drivers. Naturally, the possible extra time commitment is one reason people choose not to bike to work. They complain that biking to work takes more time than driving a car. Of course, cars can travel faster than bikes. If people have a long commute over open highway, driving a car obviously saves time.**

**Order of Sentences #2:**

**Reasons Paragraph with Embedded Counterclaim**

**• Topic/Transition Sentence**

**about the Counterclaim and**

**Opposite Reason**

**• Lead-off and Follow-up Sentences**

**about Opposite Reason**

**• Topic/Transition Sentence**

**about the Claim and Major Reason**

**• Lead-off and Follow-up Sentences**

**about the Major Reason**

**Naturally, the time commitment is one reason people choose not to use a bike to commute to work. With reason, they complain that biking to work takes more time than driving a car. Even a short trip can take less time by car than by bike. Of course, cars can travel faster than bikes. If people have a long commute over open highway, driving a car saves lots of time. Nevertheless, bikers claim that biking can actually save time. For example, they say that riding a bike gives the rider a lot of flexibility. When they encounter a traffic jam or an accident, they can quickly take another road. They do not get stuck in traffic. Also, bikes take up little space on the road, are easy to maneuver, and can weave through bumper-to bumper traffic easily. They can travel down the side of the road or even on a sidewalk if the law allows. As a result, bikers are more likely to get to work on time than drivers.**

**Order of Sentences #3:**

**Reasons Paragraph with Embedded Counterclaim**

**• Topic/Transition Sentence**

**about the Claim and Reason**

**AND the Counterclaim and**

**Opposite Reason**

* **Lead-off and Follow-up Sentences**

**about the Major Reason**

**• Lead-off and Follow-up Sentences**

**about the Opposite Reason**

**For one issue, some people think biking saves time, and others think that biking takes too much time. Those who like biking say that riding a bike gives the commuter a lot of flexibility. When they encounter a traffic jam or an accident, they can quickly take another road. They don’t get stuck in traffic. Also, bikes take up little space, are easy to maneuver, and can weave through bumper-to-bumper traffic easily. They can travel down the side of the road or even on a sidewalk if the law allows. As a result, bikers are more likely to get to work on time than drivers. Those opposed to biking say that the extra time commitment is the reason they choose to drive a car to work. They complain that biking to work takes more time than driving a car. Of course, cars can travel faster than bikes. If people have a long commute over open highway, driving a car saves time.**