Outlining 101

“I want to inform my audience about all of the wonderful adventures they can have on a trip from San Diego, California to Victoria Canada.”

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Following the Categorical Pattern:

Transition: The “road” to Victoria can be a beautiful and interesting journey, so let’s start with getting there.

I. Although there are several ways to get to Canada from San Diego, one of the most beautiful routes is the scenic and breath-taking Highway 1.

   a. One reason it’s so amazing is that Highway 1 hugs the west coast of much of the North American continent.

      i. Without leaving your car, you can see snow-capped mountains, the raging sea, and dense wilderness as you drive up the coast.

   b. The highway takes you through a number of quaint coastal towns, perfect for taking a break to snack on a local treat.

      i. Some of these towns were settled by the first Spanish settlers of California!

   c. But for many people, the most beautiful part of the drive through California is along Big Sur.

      i. Big Sur is a stretch of coast known for it’s rugged beauty of steep cliffs, roaring ocean, and endless views across the Pacific.
ii. There are many great places to stay in Big Sur, and I’ll talk more on those later.

d. The I-1 will take you right through San Francisco and over the amazing Golden Gate Bridge.

e. The highway north of San Francisco will take you through beautiful redwood forests.

   i. You can even take a small detour in central California to drive through a giant redwood tree!

f. As you near Oregon, you’ll start to see more bays and coastal estuaries.

   i. These make for great places to take a short walk in the middle of a long day of driving

g. Etc.

Transition: Out of Main Idea I and into Main Idea II