Evidence Based Explanation Informative Paragraph OUTLINE

R (topic sentence) + Background information
Gum has evolved over time throughout history. Thousands of years ago, people were chewing bark from a tree. Eventually, the Mayans and Aztecs began chewing chicle from the sapodilla tree.

Thesis Statement (3 point sentence)
Later gum evolved even more due to the efforts of John Curtis, Thomas Adams, and William Wrigley Jr.

A (answer-first point)
John Curtis became popular with his first chewing gum.

C (cite evidence)
In the text, it states, “Curtis had so much success with his chewing gum factory in the 1850’s.”

E (explain evidence)
When Curtis first sold gum made from the spruce tree, people began to want more. This allowed Curtis to open a factory so he could sell more gum.

A (use second point)
Thomas Adams is another person who helped in the evolution of chewing gum. He was given chicle to make rubber. However, he created a new to make chewing gum instead.

C (cite evidence)
Paragraph 3 states, “Thomas Adams was not successful with turning chicle into rubber, but he did discover a way to make chewing gum.”
Since Adams’s discovery, the main ingredient in gum has been chicle until the mid 1900’s.

After Curtis and Adams’s changes to gum, William Wrigley Jr. improved the process even more and established two brands of gum which became very popular.

The article mentioned, “His gum was a huge hit. In 1891, Wrigley created two gum brands called Juicy Fruit and Wrigley’s Spearmint.”

Wrigley began giving free gum to people, resulting in his gum’s popularity which led to the creation of new gum.

John Curtis, Thomas Adams, and William Wrigley Jr. all played an important role in making gum what it is today.