

7th Grade: Argumentative Essay

Paragraph I: Introduction

Hook Get the reader's attention by asking Questions, giving Stats, or Startling Facts (1-2 Sentences)	
Context Explain the issues using only facts (3-9 Sentences)	
Thesis Should or Should Not (1 Sentence with 2 reasons)	

Paragraph II: Body Paragraph Using Textual Evidence

Sentence 1: Topic Sentence IVF	In the text, “_____” by _____, ___ argues that...
Sentence 2: Evidence #1 From the text Quote or Paraphrase	According to the text, “_____” (page).
Sentence 3: Analysis	This proves that....
Sentence 4: Evidence #2 Research	In addition, “_____” (page)
Sentence 5: Analysis	This shows that ...
Sentence 6: Relate or Reflect	

Paragraph III: Body Paragraph Using More Textual Evidence

Sentence 1: Topic Sentence IVF	In the text, “ _____ ” by _____, _____ argues that...
Sentence 2: Evidence #1 From the text Quote or Paraphrase	According to the text, “ _____ ” (page).
Sentence 3: Analysis	This demonstrates...
Sentence 4: Evidence #2 Research	In addition, “ _____ ” (page)
Sentence 5: Analysis	This shows that ...
Sentence 6: Relate or Reflect	

Paragraph IV: Body Paragraph Counterclaim and Rebuttal

Sentence 1: Topic Sentence IVF	The opposing side to this issue believes...
Sentence 2: Evidence #1 From the text Quote or Paraphrase for the opposing side	For example, _____ from, “ _____ ” by _____ argues that
Sentence 3: Counterclaim	However, they are wrong because...
Sentence 4: Evidence #2 From the text quote or paraphrase for you own side Research	Research proves that “ _____ ”
Sentence 5: Analysis	This shows that _____ because...
Sentence 6: Relate or Reflect	

Paragraph V: Conclusion

<p>Sentence 1:</p> <p>Topic Sentence</p> <p>Summarize the thesis</p>	
<p>Sentence 2:</p> <p>Summarize the most important evidence</p>	<i>Rewrite the one to two most important sentences from paragraphs 2 and 3.</i>
<p>Sentence 3:</p> <p>Call to Action</p>	

Last Page: Works Cited

All citation must be in alphabetical order according to author's last name, and all lines after the first one must be indented.

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