

Argumentative Essay Writing Frames

Paragraph 1: Introduction

<p>(1-3 sentences)</p> <p>Hook</p> <p>Get the reader's attention</p> <p>Questions, Stats, Startling Facts</p>	
<p>(5-10 sentences)</p> <p>Background</p> <p>Introduce the topic/issue</p> <p>Introduce the main sources</p>	
<p>(1 sentence with 2 reasons)</p> <p>Thesis/Claim</p> <p>Should or Should not</p>	

Body Paragraph 2: Textual Evidence & Research

Sentence 1: Topic Sentence IVF	The (title) by _____, (Verb) (Finish the thought in 10-15 words).
Sentence 2: Evidence #1 Research from the text Quote or Paraphrase	According to the text, “_____” (page number).
Sentence 3: Analysis	Since (summarize evidence) _____ shows that (summarize claim from paragraph 1) _____ because _____.
Sentence 4: Evidence #2 Research from the text Quote or Paraphrase	On page ____ (Author's name) ____ states, “_____”.
Sentence 5: Analysis	The fact that (summarize evidence), shows that (summarize claim from paragraph 1) because _____. _____
Sentence 6: Relate or Reflect	

Body Paragraph 3: Textual Evidence & Research

Sentence 1: Topic Sentence IVF	The website, “ _____ ” by _____, (Verb) (Finish the thought in 10-15 words). _____
Sentence 2: Evidence #1 Research from the text Quote or Paraphrase	According to (Author's name), “ _____ ”. (<i>If there is no author, write the “Title” of the article in the parenthesis.</i>) _____
Sentence 3: Analysis	Since (summarize evidence) _____ shows that (summarize claim from paragraph 1) _____ because _____
Sentence 4: Evidence #2 Research from the text Quote or Paraphrase	The article states, “ _____ ” (Author's Name). <i>If there is no author, write the “Title” of the article in the parenthesis.</i> _____
Sentence 5: Analysis	The fact that (summarize evidence), shows that (summarize claim from paragraph 1) because _____. _____
Sentence 6: Relate or Reflect	

Body Paragraph: Rebuttal or Counter Argument

Sentence 1: Topic Sentence IVF	The opposing side to this issue believes _____ _____
Sentence 2: Evidence #1 Research from the text Quote or Paraphrase for the opposing side	According to (Website) “ _____ ” _____
Sentence 3: Counterclaim	However, they do not take into account _____
Sentence 4: Evidence #2 Research from the text quote or paraphrase for your own side Research	The article states, “ _____ ”
Sentence 5: Analysis	The fact that _____, shows that _____ because _____.
Sentence 6: Relate or Reflect	

Paragraph 5: Conclusion

Summarize the thesis	
2-3 Sentences: Summarize the most important evidence from paragraphs 2&3	
2-3 Sentences: Summarize the Counterclaim and Rebuttal	
Call to Action	

Works Cited

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

Works Cited Order

Author/Editor with last name, first. "Title of the page." Title of the website. Who published the website. Online. Internet. Date you looked it up. Available Web address

Works Cited Example

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