## Argumentative Essay

An Argumentative, or position, essay is a common genre of academic writing. It requires you to investigate a topic; collect, create, and evaluate evidence; and then establish a position on the topic in a concise manner. Essentially, your goal as a writer is to convince your readers of your position, or at least convince them to give your position thought and consideration, through organized discussion and grounded evidence.

WHAT YOU SHOULD INCLUDE IN YOUR ESSAY:



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A conclusion that does not simply restate the thesis, but readdresses it in light of the evidence provided.

This is the portion of the essay that will leave the most immediate impression on the minds of your readers. Therefore, it must be effective and logical.

Do not introduce any new information into the conclusion; rather, synthesize the information presented in the body of the essay.

Restate why the topic is important, review the main points, and review your thesis.

You may also want to include a short discussion of more research that should be completed in light of your work.

SO... important things to remember:

DO...

DO NOT...

