

ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY

Remember in your **ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY** you are supposed to give a **balanced point of view** on your topic, and it should be divided in **four paragraphs**:

An **introduction** or **opening** made up of a **hook** , followed by a description of the **background situation**(paint a picture of the world) and a **thesis statement**.

A **main body** in which your **points for and against** , using a **topic sentence** along with the justification(**supporting evidence**), appear in **two separate paragraphs**.

A **conclusion** or **closing** in which you **summarize** your main points, give your **opinion** and add some **“food for thought”**.

RUBRIC FOR THE ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY

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1. Paragraphs are clearly differentiated.			
2.It contains an attention getter(hook) /+background situation clear and to the point + thesis statement (a balanced viewpoint is presented □“both sides of a coin”)			
3.Arguments are clear and sufficient (include a range of points for and against)			
4.Arguments are well structured (a topic sentence + supporting evidence/ examples)			
5. Linking words and phrases are used correctly and sufficiently to connect paragraphs and ideas.			
6. The conclusion is strong and well structured (summary + opinion+ food for thought)			
7. There are no major grammatical errors.			
8. Spelling and Punctuation are mostly correct.			
9. Vocabulary is varied and language is appropriate.			
10. It is neat and legible.			

Total points = 30