

OPINION ESSAY

Remember in your **OPINION ESSAY** you are supposed to give **your opinion** on a specific topic and **support** it, and it should be divided in **three 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** in which you **opinion** must be **clearly stated**. (On what side are you?)

A **main body** in which you need to **support your position**, using a **topic sentence** along with the justification (**supporting evidence**). You might even consider the **counterarguments**.

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

RUBRIC FOR THE ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY

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1. Paragraphs are clearly differentiated (double space between them)			
2.It contains an attention getter(hook) /+background situation clear and to the point + thesis statement (your opinion is clearly stated, only one side of the coin)			
3.Arguments are clear and sufficient (include a range of points supporting your position)			
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 + restatement of your 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