

ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY OUTLINE

TITLE (Main Idea): _____

PARAGRAPH 1- "THE HOOK"

INTRODUCTION: Introduce your topic (What are the two sides to the argument?)

SIDE 1: _____

SIDE 2: _____

***THESIS STATEMENT** (What is your opinion?): _____

PARAGRAPH 2

REASON #1 (Why should someone agree with your opinion?): _____

SOURCE: _____

PARAGRAPH 3

REASON #2 (Why should someone agree with your opinion?): _____

SOURCE: _____

PARAGRAPH 4

REASON #3 (Why should someone agree with your opinion?): _____

SOURCE: _____

PARAGRAPH 5

CONCLUSION (Summarize your thoughts):

RESTATE SIDE 1: _____

RESTATE SIDE 2: _____

RESTATE THE 3 REASONS TO AGREE WITH YOU: _____

OVERALL, WHY IS YOUR THESIS STATEMENT CORRECT?: _____

What is an Argument?

An argument is a claim supported by evidence.

Arguments are used for many purposes— to change the reader's point of view, to bring about some action of the reader's part, or to ask the reader to accept the writer's explanation or evaluation of a concept, issue or problem.

**What is
an argument???**

An argument is a reasoned, logical way of demonstrating that the writer's position, belief, or conclusion is valid.

In English/Language Arts, students make claims about the worth or meaning of a literary work or works. They defend their interpretations or judgments with evidence from the text(s) they are reading about.