

Argument Outline

PROBLEM—State the problem that you are discussing. Give background information on your subject and clearly state your argument related to it.

REASONS—Give reasons why your argument is true. Under each reason, present evidence through facts, reasons, statistics, testimony of experts, opinions, examples, logical reasoning.

OPPOSING VIEWPOINT—Give the opposing view and explain why it is incorrect, mislead, unsupported, etc.

BACKING—Provide additional backing to your argument to further prove your point.

LOGIC—Check that you have included Ethos, Logos, and Pathos examples

EVALUATE—Consider what type of audience you have and if you are believable to them.

MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU—Arguing is hard; look over your outline closely.