

Argumentative Essay Outline AP Lang

I. Introduction:

- A. Background Information: Provide context for the discussion, such as why the topic is important and/or interesting.
- B. Thesis Statement: State your argument in two to three sentences and be sure to include the position you are taking on the issue.

II. Body:

- A. First Argument and Supporting Evidence: Introduce your first argument and present supporting evidence for it. Be sure to explain how the evidence supports your argument.
- B. Second Argument and Supporting Evidence: Introduce your second argument and present supporting evidence for it. Be sure to explain how the evidence supports your argument.
- C. Third Argument and Supporting Evidence: Introduce your third argument and present supporting evidence for it. Be sure to explain how the evidence supports your argument.

III. Rebuttal:

- A. Refute Opposing Arguments: Show that you understand the opposing arguments and explain why they are weak.
- B. Acknowledge Counterarguments: Show that you have assessed the value of any counterarguments and explain why they are not valid.

IV. Conclusion:

- A. Summary: Summarize your arguments and reiterate the value of your position.
- B. Final Appeal: Make a final appeal to the reader to take your position on the issue. Make sure to include a call to action.

C. Restate Thesis: Restate your thesis statement and explain why your arguments are valid.

D. Clincher: Make a powerful statement that will leave the reader with a lasting impression.

V. Works Cited: Provide a list of sources used in the essay. Make sure to cite them correctly according to APA or MLA guidelines.