

Basic Outline for Argumentative Research Topic #1

Directions: Choose two of your choice topics to complete preliminary brainstorming for your research essay. For subpoints other than those listed "list," please write 2-3 complete sentences responding to the topic.

1. Topic #1 (*list*):
2. Why is this a hot topic in society today?
3. How do I personally feel about this topic? Why is it meaningful to me?
4. What is one major argument in support of my view on this topic? Why is it a valid point?
5. What is a second major argument in support of my view on this topic? Why is it a valid point?

6. What do opponents have to say about this topic? What are **two** reasons they feel this way, and why are **both** of these reasons weak?

7. What should I or other people around me do to promote my view on this topic?

Basic Outline for Argumentative Research Topic #2

1. Topic #1 (*list*):
2. Why is this a hot topic in society today?
3. How do I personally feel about this topic? Why is it meaningful to me?
4. What is one major argument in support of my view on this topic? Why is it a valid point?
5. What is a second major argument in support of my view on this topic? Why is it a valid point?

6. What do opponents have to say about this topic? What are **two** reasons they feel this way, and why are **both** of these reasons weak?

7. What should I or other people around me do to promote my view on this topic?