

Academic Essay Planning Sheet (Argument)

Print as many of these as you need!!!

Summarize the position you are going to take: _____

Summarize the opposing position you are NOT taking: _____

Introduction:

Summarize the problem/situation of the prompt (Why does this matter to readers/users?): _____

Claim:

Your position: _____ because

Reason #1: _____ and

Reason #2: _____.

(optional: prior to stating your claim and reasons, summarize the counterclaim and then transition with "however")

Complication:

Argue for your position, citing evidence for the first reason and elaborating on how the relationships with this information and these details support the claim even further.

Reason #1:

Summary of reason (topic sentence): _____

Evidence summary #1: _____ Source: _____

Evidence summary #2: _____ Source: _____

Relevant details for elaboration: _____

Climax:

Reason #2 & Counterclaim:

Summary of reason (topic sentence): _____

Evidence summary #1: _____ Source: _____

Evidence summary #2: _____ Source: _____

Summary of Counterclaim: _____

Refutation Statement: _____

Relevant details for elaboration: _____

Conclusion:

Growth of Society:

Claim, restated as Call to Action for users: _____

Use the back to make general plans for this essay.

