

Outline for Persuasion Essay

1. Please understand I am listing what you need to do in the exact order you should do it. If it takes you more than one sentence to complete each listing, this is fine as long as you stay on course.

2. USE FIRST PERSON PRONOUNS!

I. Introduction

- A. Grabber/Universal statement about the topic of your entire essay
- B. Bridge Sentence: This sentence should identify the article's topic and tone of the author writing the text.
- C. Divided, parallel thesis (DPTH): State your opinion and the two reasons of support in the order you plan to address them in your essay. (List your best reason second). Your DPTH must be an arguable point.

II., III Body Paragraphs – both follow this direction

- A. TS: Topic Sentence. This sentence needs to address the topic of support you plan to use here. This sentence should be preceded by an effective transitional word.
- B. C.X.: Context. Provide a clear context that sets up the CD that will follow. Give enough information that your reader will understand the specific concrete detail you will use here for support.
- C. CD: Concrete Detail: Provide your support. In a Persuasion Essay, this can be a fact, statistic, quote or paraphrase from a resource, an observation you have made or an experience you have had. You must cite if this CD is pulled from a resource.
- D. OPOV: Opposing Point of View: Recognize a specific point of view that would counter your opinion in the paragraph.
- E. RtoOPOV: Respond to the Opposing Point of View: Address why you believe the opposing point of view is refutable

Conclusion

- A. Restate your DPTH using new, effective vocabulary.
- B. Summarize the main points of support in your essay using new, effective vocabulary.
- C. Your final sentence (or however many you chose to use) should show the significance of your argument. This is where you should call for action or agreement.