

Argumentative Paragraph Foldable

Fold the paper in half on the line. Then cut each of the tabs from the edge of the paper to the middle or fold.

Open up each tab and write the appropriate information in the space provided.

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Claim (Topic Sentence): A claim tells the reader what the paragraph is going to be about. It is a statement that answers a question. It answers one side of an argument. There is no "I", because or explanation in your claim.

Evidence: This is information from the text that proves your claim. It is a fact. It is the exact words taken from the text, with quotes. If the information is too long, you can use a paraphrase. After the sentence cite your source (Doc. A) or (Lines 13-15) Also, cite your source with the author's name or article name.

Reasoning: This links the evidence to the claim. This explains how your evidence is proof of your claim. This is written in your own words. This explains the because or the why. *Examples: This is important because..., This demonstrates..., This shows..., This means..., This explains...*
Reasoning adds seasoning! It spices things up!

Evidence: see above explanation

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Include a concluding sentence with this last piece of reasoning. It can be a separate sentence.