

## ARGUMENTATIVE PROMPTS

- +Should people be prohibited from smoking in certain places?
- +Is there too much violence in the media? Why or why not?
- +Is there too much sex in the media? Why or why not?
- +Should there be a separation of church and state? Why or why not?
- +Does it bother you to be around someone with bad manners?
- +Should animals be used for medical research?
- +Does the internet make young people more apt to socialize or less likely to socialize? Explain.
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- +At what age should a person be allowed to marry? Why?
- +At what age should a person be able to have sex? Why?
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- +Should people be able to kill animals for ritualistic purposes? Why or why not?
- +Should an obese person be forced to buy an extra ticket for themselves if traveling by air? Why or why not?
- +The Federal government gives cash incentives to states to order and collect more child support from parents each year. Does this seem like a good use of tax payer money? Or, should the states be doing this job anyway?
- +Should the United States continue to act as the "Police Force" of the world? Why or why not?
- +Should the United States continue to distribute money to developing countries or help its own development? Explain.
- +Eugenics refers to the idea of manipulating genetics codes (through direct intervention or through selective breeding). Does Eugenics seem like a good idea for humans?
- +Should people make an effort towards recycling more? Why or why not?
- +Should first cousins be allowed to marry? Why or why not?
- +Should social networking sites, such as Facebook, allow nudity? Why or why not?
- +How do you feel about public breastfeeding? Is it a good practice or a bad practice?
- +Which would you rather have, a long boring life or an awesome short life? Explain your answer.
- +Which is better: Corporeal punishment or a "time out"?
- +Is censorship a good thing? If so, why? If not, why not?
- +Are movie rating too lenient these days? Why or why not?

+Is marriage a good thing? If so, why? If not, why not?