

TEMPLATES FOR BASIC ARGUMENTS

CLAIMS

I believe that _____.

Note: If your instructor requires a strict adherence to the third-person voice/point of view, remove the beginning clause "I believe that."

SUPPORT

One source suggests _____.

One author suggests _____.

One article suggests _____.

The following statistics found _____ Name of Location or Periodical____ suggest

_____.
_____ Author's Name _____ suggests _____.

_____ Author's Name _____ claims _____.

COUNTERARGUMENT

Although many people/experts observe _____, consider that _____.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, _____.

-OR-

I recommend that _____.

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