

PERSUASIVE ESSAY OUTLINE

I. Introduction

Get the reader's attention by using a "hook"
Give some background information if necessary
Thesis or focus statement

II. First argument or reason to support your position

Topic sentence to explain your point
Elaboration to back up your point
Transition statement

III. Second argument or reason to support your position

Topic sentence to explain your point
Elaboration to back up your point
Transition statement

IV. Third argument or reason to support your position

Topic sentence to explain your point
Elaboration to back up your point
Transition statement

V. Conclusion

Summary of main points or reason
Restate thesis statement
Personal comment or a call to action.