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Learning Activity Sheet

Writing Argumentative Essay

I. Read and analyze each statement. If a statement is true, write AGREE; if it is untrue, write DISAGREE in the space provided.

- _____ 1. It is necessary for you to take a particular stand in writing an argumentative essay.
- _____ 2. A thesis statement in an argumentative essay is also known as a counterclaim.
- _____ 3. A definition of your argument in the introduction of your essay is optional.
- _____ 4. Providing a preview of the context of your topic helps you clearly establish your thesis statement.
- _____ 5. The main purpose of a persuasive essay is to refute counterarguments of your chosen topic.
- _____ 6. Substantial supporting evidence is necessary to support your claim.
- _____ 7. The conclusion of an argumentative essay must contain a carefully written refutation.
- _____ 8. Stating, discussing, and refuting counterarguments in your argumentative essay make you objective and convincing.
- _____ 9. In an argumentative essay, you have to provide evidence to your claim in the form of accurate and objective facts, information, and statistical data.
- _____ 10. A feature article is an example of an argumentative essay.

II. Write an argumentative essay that states your views on a controversial issue that you will choose. To make your argument credible, do your research and gather information from reliable sources, and present them in a logical and orderly manner. Follow the essential parts of the essay below:

1. Thesis Statement
2. Counterarguments
3. Conclusion

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