

- o Next, explain one or two of the opposing side's points to show how readers might object to your argument. Then, show how these arguments are not reasonable, not logical, or are ineffective. Be sure to repeat your own strongest points, too, for the last time.

#### Final Steps: Review and Edit

- 1) Review that your reader can understand your points. The reader should understand them all your arguments by reading without an aggressive language and by using lots of different types of words, phrases, examples, repeat points, or even personal experiences.
- 2) Do your research!
- 3) To increase the chances that your reader will agree with you, start each paragraph with ideas that both sides agree upon before arguing your case.
- 4) Show the other side's strongest arguments to defend against challenges from other readers or your methods.
- 5) To your conclusion, emphasize why your topic is important, summarize your arguments, and restate your position in the most credible voice. Do not include new evidence or arguments.

#### Bibliography

Representative Essay: "Essay 1" (2001) and "Essay 2" (2002)

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