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**1. Five Paragraph Structure**

Discussion essay: Argument essay:

EITHER OR

Introduction Introduction Introduction

Pro Against Reason 1

Against Pro Reason 2

Against Pro Reason 3

Conclusion Conclusion Conclusion

**2. Academic articles:**

Use google scholar to find 3 recent and relevant articles. Inserting on the left the dates (2015 to 2020). That should bring up recent papers. Use MLA style to quote in the text and at the end of the text. You can also use materials we covered in our seminar. But at least one of them should be an academic article.

**3. Introduction and extended thesis statement**

• Introduce the issue and give background information.

• If necessary, define key words and terminology.

• Present your thesis statement. This is the main idea of your essay, which states the purpose

and your response to the question or topic. It needs to be debatable.

• Mention your arguments (X,Y,Z) that support your thesis statement.

• The 3 body paragraphs relate to the thesis statement and cover the arguments (X,Y, Z) in the form of topic sentences at the beginning of each paragraph.

Examples:

Smoking in public places should be banned because passive smoking can lead to a higher prevalence of cancer and heart disease (X), exposes young children to a toxic substance (Y) and reduces air quality (Z).

Overreliance on technology in schools has caused students to lose the ability to think independently, leading to a greater prevalence of mood disorders (X), memory loss (Y), and loneliness (Z).

Beginning the school day at a later time would stabilize students’ sleep patterns X), improve students’ moods (Y), and increase students’ academic success (Z).