**Argument Essay Outline**

**Introduction**

1) Hook/Broad statement: something creative and interesting that draws attention to the subject matter

2) Restate the issue: Sentence that comments on the central idea in the texts

3) Comment on an alternate or opposing claim

Ex. Others may say…

 Some may argue…

 People may claim…

4) MCI/thesis—include position/claim (approx. 1-2 sentences)

**Body Paragraph I - Example #1**

1) Topic Sentence with appropriate transition.

2) First specific piece of evidence

3) Relevant quote taken from text to support your evidence **(with citation)**

4) Analyze the quote by discussing how it supports your position on the central idea. You must refer back to your claim.

**Body Paragraph II - Example #2**

1) Topic Sentence with appropriate transition.

2) Second specific piece of evidence

3) Relevant quote taken from text to support your evidence **(with citation)**

4) Analyze the quote by discussing how it supports your position on the central idea. You must refer back to your claim.

**Body Paragraph III - Example #3**

1) Topic Sentence with appropriate transition.

2) 3rd specific piece of evidence

3) Relevant quote taken from text to support your evidence **(with citation)**

4) Analyze the quote by discussing how it supports your position on the central idea. You must refer back to your claim.

**Conclusion**

1) Use an appropriate concluding transition

2) Re-state the MCI/thesis

3) Clincher: Final comment on the central idea that includes your position