

Argumentative Essay Structure

Introductory Paragraph

- States the topic
- States the writer's position on the topic

Body Paragraphs (need 2-3)

- Each reason to support the position gets its own paragraph
- Each reason needs an example/explanation
- Need to have at least one opposing argument that the writer rebuts

Conclusion Paragraph

- Restate the topic and the writer's position
- Summarize the supporting reasons
- Ends with an interesting point

Social Media, Good or Bad?

Social media has become a popular hobby-time for many people. People love social media because they can create posts, watch funny videos, catch up on news, and keep up with their favorite celebrities. Users can connect with people they know. Critics argue that social media is harmful to people. Is social media fun worth the harm it causes to society? Social media hurts people more than it helps.

First, a lot of what people see on social media is fake. Pictures that people post can be changed to make them look more attractive or richer than they actually are. A person looking at social media may compare it to their own life and feel bad.

Additionally, people can be mean to each other when on social media in ways they are not in the real world. When a person posts a picture or a comment, other people may respond unkindly. Some users often mock or insult others. The victims of these insults can be hurt. People have killed themselves because of bullying on social media.

However, supporters say that social media is useful because it helps people stay connected. Friends and relatives can stay in touch on social media when they are too far away to visit. There are other, more personal ways to stay in touch with friends and relatives. People can write letters or cards, call, and visit their friends and relatives to enjoy private conversations.

In conclusion, while social media can be fun, users should take care. People should not take what they see on social media too seriously. It is not always real. People should be nice to other people on social media. They should avoid or ignore bullies. People should make more of an effort to call, write letters and cards, or to visit with their friends and family. These kinds of personal connections help us make happy memories with the people we care about.