**Possible Argumentative Topics**

1. Is global climate change man-made?

2. Is the death penalty effective?

3. Is our [election](http://homeworktips.about.com/od/politicalscience/a/Mock-Election-Ideas.htm) process fair?

4. Do colleges put too much stock in standardized test scores?

5. Is torture ever acceptable?

6. Should men get paternity leave from work?

7. Is a lottery a good idea?

8. Do we have a fair taxation system?

9. Do curfews keep teens out of trouble?

10. Is [cheating](http://homeworktips.about.com/od/homeworktopics/a/cheating.htm) out of control?

11. Are we too dependent on computers?

12. Are parents clueless about child predators on the Internet?

13. Should animals be used for research?

14. Should cigarette smoking be banned?

15. Are cell phones dangerous?

16. Are law enforcement cameras an invasion of privacy?

17. Are test scores a good indication of a school's competency?

18. Do we have a throw-away society?

19. Is child behavior better or worse than it was years ago?

20. Should companies market to children?

21. Should the government have a say in our diets?

22. Does access to condoms prevent teen pregnancy?

23. Does access to condoms lead to irresponsible, dangerous, or bad behavior?

24. Are actors and professional athletes paid too much?

25. Are CEOs paid too much?

26. Do violent video games cause behavior problems?

27. Should [creationism](http://atheism.about.com/od/creationismcreationists/p/scientific.htm) be taught in public schools?

28. [Are beauty pageants exploitive?](http://womenshistory.about.com/od/Miss-America-Protests/a/Beauty-Pageants-Criticized.htm)

29. Should English be the official language in the United States?

30. Should the racing industry be forced to use biofuels?

31. When should parents let teens make their own decisions?

33. Should the military be allowed to recruit at high schools?

34. Should the alcohol drinking age be increased or decreased?

35. Does age matter in relationships?

36. What age is appropriate for dating?

37. Should gay couples be able to marry?

38. Are there benefits to attending a single-sex school?

39. Does boredom lead to trouble?

40. Does participation in sports keep teens out of trouble?

41. Is competition good?

42. Does religion cause war?

43. Should the government provide health care?

44. Should girls ask boys out?

45. Is fashion important?

46. Are girls too mean to each other?

47. Is homework harmful or helpful?

48. Should students be allowed to grade their teachers?

49. Is the cost of college too high?

50. Is college admission too competitive?

**General Argumentative Essay Topics:**

* Cheating helps [students](http://www.privatewriting.com/argumentative-essay-topic.html) learn
* Should sex education be increased in schools in an attempt to curb problems such as teenage pregnancy?
* Censorship: Are there cases when it can be morally justified?

**Bioethics:**

* Genetic Research: Bettering the lives of humanity or destroying it?
* Stem Cell Research: Increasing the health of people or interfering with a higher power?
* Is the use of animals for scientific purposes humane?

**Issues in the IT Sphere:**

* Facebook - the end of privacy or the beginning of a new era?
* Does mankind depend on computers and technology too much?
* In the recent years Internet has become overtly commercialized. Agree or disagree?

**Constitutional Issues:**

* Does gun control reduce crime, or does it make people unable to defend themselves?
* What are the two sides of the death penalty? Is it a murder or a just punishment? Can it be a deterrent to crime?
* Should the death penalty be mandatory for people that kill other people?
* Is Assisted Suicide (Euthanasia) moral? Is a man truly an owner of his life?
* Should Affirmative Action be abolished?

**Social Concerns:**

* Is the problem of domestic violence a burning issue, or is it exaggerated?
* Should cigarette smoking be banned just as heroin consumption?
* Drivers should be banned from using their cell phones while driving. Agree or disagree?
* Should restrictions be placed on the use of mobile phones in public areas like restaurants and theaters?
* Should society assume greater responsibility for pregnant teenagers and the children they bear?
* What are some of the best ways to welcome and then assimilate immigrants into American life?
* The level of education within a country is directly related to the well being of this country. Comment on this issue, substantiate your claim.
* Should schools place more emphasis on disciplining bullies?
* Does modern day communication via social networks put an end of true and sincere relationships?

**Ecological Issues:**

* Forests are the lungs of the Earth. Should the rain forests destruction be prohibited?
* Should countries drill for oil in protected areas to reduce gas prices?
* Does Global Warming exist?
* What has prevented the mass production of electric cars and electric charging stations?

**Society and the Media:**

* The mass media plays an important role in shaping the opinions and positions of the younger generation. Prove.
* Advertising: Information or Manipulation?
* Violent video games directly correlate to violence in schools. Agree or Disagree.

**Gender Issues:**

* Should there still be colleges and schools just for men/boys and some just for women/girls?
* To what extent has the traditional male role changed in the last 20 years?
* Is gender equality a myth or a sustainable reality?
* Do you still believe that the "glass ceiling" exists for women in the workplace?