

PREPARATION



Situation

- What is the issue at hand
- What are the opposing sides of the issue?
- What are the pros and cons of both?

Claim



- What is your personal opinion on the issue?
- Why do you hold that opinion? Provide logical reasoning and evidence.
- How might you rebuke someone with an opposing view?

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CLAIM

Make sure you have a clear opinion on the issue, then clearly state what your opinion is, preferably at the beginning.

Be short and sweet. Be as clear as possible with your stance and your reasoning. Do not be extraneous.

CLARITY

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DEFENSE

Explain why your opinion makes sense. Provide examples, use logic, address the opposing opinion, give facts.

You're entitled to your own opinion, but not your own facts. Back up your opinion with evidence and ensure it's accurate.

ACCURACY

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THE ASSIGNMENT

Practice makes perfect!

**DO YOU THINK A VISIT TO A THEME PARK
(DISNEYLAND/ OTHER) IS WORTH IT?**

WHY OR WHY NOT?

ISSUE ANALYSIS – IS IT REALLY WORTH IT?

PROS

- **Fun and Excitement:** Iconic and one-of-a-kind rides and attractions like Space Mountain and Pirates of the Caribbean
- **Themed Experiences:** Immersive environments based on beloved Disney movies and characters.
- **Entertainment:** Parades, fireworks, and character meet-and-greets.
- **Dining and Shopping:** Unique food experiences and themed merchandise

CONS

- **High Cost:** Increasingly expensive tickets, food, and souvenirs due to inflation
- **Crowds and Lines:** Long wait times for popular rides, especially during peak season, even with the fast pass
- **Weather Concerns:** Hot temperatures in summer and potential rain in winter may make the visit less enjoyable

USE LABELS!

Organizing and labeling our thoughts makes life easier.

- [Topic sentence/Claim]
 - Although [opposing view], I think [your opinion]
- [Reasoning]
 - Why do you think so? use logical reasoning
- [Evidence]
 - We will not require this for this assignment, as that requires research and statistics!
- [Refutation] - optional!
 - Why is the opposing claim wrong?
- [Conclusion]
 - Restate your opinion



HAPPY WRITING!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO
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