

## Persuasive Essay Outline Worksheet

### I. Introduction

- A. Hook: A statement that grabs the reader's attention
- B. Background Information: General information about the topic
- C. Thesis Statement: A one sentence summary of the argument

### II. Body Paragraph 1

- A. Topic Sentence: Point you are trying to make
- B. Evidence to support your point: Statistics, facts, or personal anecdotes
- C. Reasoning: Explain why the evidence supports your point
- D. Link to next paragraph: How this point relates to the next one

### III. Body Paragraph 2

- A. Topic Sentence: Point you are trying to make
- B. Evidence to support your point: Statistics, facts, or personal anecdotes
- C. Reasoning: Explain why the evidence supports your point
- D. Link to next paragraph: How this point relates to the next one

### IV. Body Paragraph 3

- A. Topic Sentence: Point you are trying to make
- B. Evidence to support your point: Statistics, facts, or personal anecdotes
- C. Reasoning: Explain why the evidence supports your point
- D. Link to conclusion: How this point relates to the conclusion

### V. Conclusion

A. Summary of main points: Summarize each body paragraph in one sentence

B. Final Statement: A statement that drives the point home and leaves a lasting impression on the reader

C. Call to Action: Ask your audience what they should do with the information you have provided them with.