Persuasive Essay Organizer

You need to write a persuasive essay about the topic of your choice. Some examples are:

* Should schools have uniforms?
* Should schools sell junk food?
* Should girls play on boys’ sports teams, or vice versa?
* Should college or university be free?

But it is up to you to choose your own topic. Below, write out how your essay is going to look, and then you can start on your introduction.

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Audience (who are you writing this essay for?): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Supporting Reason 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Supporting Reason 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Supporting Reason 3: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Once you have filled that section out, you can start writing your introduction. Your introduction needs a strong first sentence (a hook), you need to explain your topic, and you need to tell me your thesis statement.

Hook (it can be a question, a fact, a story): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Explanation (explain the problem or solution of your topic): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Thesis Statement (your position on the subject): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Here is an example introduction for school uniforms:

School is for education, it is not a fashion show (hook). More and more, students are becoming preoccupied with what they wear and how they look, instead of their grades (explanation). **School uniforms should be in all schools across the country, for they eliminate dress codes, stop forms of bullying, and save money (thesis – said my position on the subject)**.