

# How to Develop a Strong Argument

## Step 01



### Write a strong central thesis

Don't drive away the focus of your thesis with "fluff". Instead, think of what you want to achieve and bottle it up into a sentence or two. Using a mini-thesis at the beginning of body paragraphs helps, too!

## Step 02

### Make sure your organization flows

The order of your paragraphs really makes a difference, especially in argument. Make sure your arguments throughout your essay build upon each other and transition well. Don't be afraid to move paragraphs!



## Step 03



### Get a variety of arguments

Having a counterargument (and a refutation) can be extremely helpful to your essay, since acknowledging the other side of an argument will show maturity in the writer and a good refutation may sway readers from an opposing viewpoint.

## Step 04

### Don't summarize!

Try your best to not just state facts. Instead, analyze how those facts help the argument you're making and what they mean in a more universalized scope. This can make your essay more powerful and focused.

