# Planning an argument

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| **Essay title:** | | | |
| **Your stance (the case or position you wish to argue):** | | | |
| **Claim**  (add more rows if needed) | **Supporting evidence**  (literature, statistics, examples) | **Reasoning**  (how evidence backs up claim) | **Possible counterclaims**  (how might this claim be refuted?) |
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| **2** |  |  |  |
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| **Alternative perspectives (and why they could be rejected)** | | | |
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| **Conclusion (on balance, how do your claims outweigh alternative perspectives)** | | | |
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