

Persuasive Research Paper and Debate

Objectives:

- Research both sides of a resolution
- Write a persuasive paper based on research
- Participate in a debate

Resolution:

The government should not get involved with events or situations that do not directly affect them.

Assignment

Part I: Research

You will need to research information to help you argue BOTH sides of the above resolution. Ms. Smith will guide you in your research in the library. Sources need to be accurate and reliable. (Wikipedia is neither accurate nor reliable. Google is NOT a "source". ProCon.org is a great place to get ideas, but it cannot be a source either—they've already done all of the work, you need to find your OWN research!)

A. Research Notes

Plagiarism	MLA Citations
Paraphrasing	Summarizing

B. NOTES:

Research 3 (minimum) to 5 (maximum) sources for **EACH** side of the resolution. Remember that sources **generally** lean to either the affirmative or negative side of a position.

Use the "research boxes" to help organize your findings

C. Supporting Arguments

After you have researched, complete the following chart that summarizes your findings.

Affirmative:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Negative:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____
