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Online Research for Argumentative Essay: Some Things to Try

- Some sites that specialize in "opposing viewpoints" and resources for argumentative essays:

[CSU Long Beach Library](#): Special page on opposing viewpoints

[Opposingviews.com](#): read through arguments from experts on both sides of issues; SEARCHABLE!

[ProCon.org](#): another searchable pro/con site

[Best Information on the Net](#): Site at a college library that offers selected Web sites on both sides of issues

[Social Issues Research From Multiple Perspectives](#) Site at Multnomah County Library offering selected Web sites on both sides of issues.

[IDEA \(International Debate Education Association\)](#) Provides background, arguments, motions, links and readings for over 150 topics; searchable by keyword.

[PublicAgenda.org](#) contains current issues from abortion to social security. Each issue includes background, public opinion and links to resources and sources.

[SpeakOut.com](#) provides topics with "on one hand and on the other hand" viewpoint

[Global Issues.org](#): Social, political, economic and environmental Issues

[Almanac of Policy Issues](#) - Background information, archived documents and links on major U.S. public policy issues.

- "TopicSearch" via EBSCO host through the Orange County Public Library site [[ocpl.org](#)].

- Go to: "Research Center" >
- "FullText General, Business, Health Magazines-EbscoHost" >
- Enter your library card number (or, if you don't have one, ask at the library for one you can use >
- Click first option "General reference..." >
- Click TOPICsearch >
- Check "Current Event" and "Topic" lists or type in your own topic in the search box...

- (If you must...) Google your topic using the terms "opposing viewpoints" and your topic e.g., "right to die" or "spanking children." **Use quotations** around your search terms.

Good luck!

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