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## Open to Debate

Resources on Controversial Topics

Helpful for Debate, Public Speaking, Persuasive Essays, Topics in American Life, etc.

### [Oposing Viewpoints](#) database

Contains pro/con "viewpoint" essays; objective "reference" essays; statistics; magazine, journal, & newspaper articles; & more. [[Access from home](#) requires password.]

### [ProCon.org](#)

Presents arguments on both sides of contested issues. Depth of coverage varies by issue (some have "mini" or "micro" coverage).

[Debate Central](#) - resources for high school national debate topics  
[IDEA](#) - International Debate Education Organization

#### Other Resources:

- [Statistics](#) links
- Social Issues encyclopedias (print):
  - Social Issues in America - REF 361.973 SOC**
  - Social Issues in Science and Technology - REF 303.48 NEW
  - Pro/Con series - on reserve at Circulation Desk, RES 3xx
- [Search the IMC catalog](#)
  - Search by subject or keyword**
  - You may also want to search by **series** for books which are particularly oriented to **pro/con analysis**:
    - History in Dispute
    - Oposing Viewpoints
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