

Argumentative Paragraph Rubric

Four	Three	Two	One
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paragraph answers ALL aspects of the writing prompt.• Paragraph includes an exceptional thesis statement that does more than simply restate the prompt question.• Paragraph effectively persuades the reader to the author's point using evidence and support.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paragraph answers most aspects of the writing prompt.• Paragraph includes an effective thesis that extends the writing prompt.• Paragraph effectively persuades the reader to the author's point using evidence.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paragraph answers some aspects of the writing prompt.• Paragraph includes a thesis statement that rephrases the writing prompt.• Paragraph is persuasive without utilizing evidence or support.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paragraph does not answer the writing prompt.• Paragraph does not include a thesis statement.• Paragraph is not persuasive, merely summarizing the issue.