

Research Paper Outline

I. Introduction

General introduction to topic (simple background information on topic)

Claim (based on the positives and the negatives, make a statement that says what role the US military should have played in Afghanistan.

Outline of process of proving claim: List 2 positive effects of war, 2 negative effects of war, and your final stance in the order you will present the information in your essay.

II. Body Paragraph 1

Topic Sentence (Introduce the first positive effect that has resulted from the war)

Introduce Evidence 1 (Give context for the first piece of evidence you will provide)

Evidence 1 (A quote, stat, fact, detail you've uncovered in your research that backs up how this war has had positive impact. **Be sure to give credit to the source!**)

Warrant for Evidence 1 (Explain in 2-3 sentences how this piece of evidence you've presented proves that this war has had a positive impact. In this part you analyze the evidence **in your own words**. This is very similar to how you analyze quotes in literary analysis.)

Introduce Evidence 2 (Give context for the second piece of evidence you will provide)

Evidence 2 (Another quote, stat, fact, detail you've uncovered in your research that backs up how this war has had a positive impact. **Be sure to give credit to the source!**)

Warrant for Evidence 2 (Explain in 2-3 sentences how this piece of evidence you've presented proves that this war has had a positive impact. In this part you analyze the evidence **in your own words**. This is very similar to how you analyze quotes in literary analysis.)

III. Body Paragraph 2 (If you forget what goes in each section, refer to the first body paragraph's instructions)

Topic Sentence (*Introduce the second positive effect that has resulted from war*)

Introduce Evidence 1

Evidence 1 Be sure to give credit to the source!

Warrant for Evidence 1 (Remember, this part's in your own words!)

Introduce Evidence 2

Evidence 2 Be sure to give credit to the source!

Warrant for Evidence 2 (Remember, this part's in your own words!)

IV. Body Paragraph 3

Topic Sentence (*Introduce the first negative effect that has resulted from war*)

Introduce Evidence 1

Evidence 1

Warrant for Evidence 1

Introduce Evidence 2

Evidence 2

Warrant for Evidence 2

V. Body Paragraph 4

Topic Sentence (*Introduce the second negative effect that has resulted from war*)

Introduce Evidence 1

Evidence 1

Warrant for Evidence 1

Introduce Evidence 2

Evidence 2

Warrant for Evidence 2

VI. Body Paragraph 5

Topic Sentence Reassert your claim: answer the question (what role should the US military play in Afghanistan. Be sure it is worded differently than in your introduction.

Create a **4-5 sentence logical argument** where you explain (based on your research) how your claim is accurate. Some suggestions: Logically compare the positive and negative effects you've stated previously. Explain how the positives outweigh the negatives (or vice-versa). Suggest a plan to make the positives outweigh the negatives. If you introduce any information from your research, be sure to give credit to the sources.

VII. Conclusion

Reword the claim

Give a sentence highlight for each topic sentence of your body paragraphs