

GMAT AWA Essay Template

Analysis of an Argument

Paragraph 1 – Introduction

Dissection of argument (name the parts: premises, conclusions, assumptions)

Thesis statement: the argument that is flawed because (paragraph 2 overview)
and (paragraph 3 overview)

Paragraph 2 – First Point

Transition Phrase: First,

Statement of Point

Example

Relate the Example

Paragraph 3 – Second Point

Transition Phrase: Second,

Statement of Point

Example

Relate the Example

Paragraph 4 – How to Fix Argument

Transition Phrase: Moreover,

How to Fix Argument

Paragraph 5 – Conclusion

Transition Phrase: In conclusion

Recap of Thesis Statement

Summary of Outline

Analysis of an Issue

Paragraph 1 – Introduction

Acknowledge the complexity of the issue

Thesis statement: I agree/disagree with the statement that... because (paragraph 2 overview) and (paragraph 3 overview)

Paragraph 2 – First Point

Transition Phrase: First,
Statement of Point
Example
Relate the Example

Paragraph 3 – Second Point

Transition Phrase: Second,
Statement of Point
Example
Relate the Example

Paragraph 4 – Rejection of Counter-Point

Transition Phrase/Statement of Counter Point: On the other hand, some may argue that...
Rebuttal of Counter Point
Example Supporting Rebuttal
Relate the Example

Paragraph 5 – Conclusion

Transition Phrase: In conclusion
Recap of Thesis Statement
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