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#### Make the introduction.

### Paraphrase the topic statement, use synonyms and different grammar constructions.

Both sides of the arguments.

Arguments for Arguments against

While it is true that ..... it mustn't be forgotten that

There is a dispute....

Three is no agreement ...

It is often argued that ....

According to ....

The problem of ..... appears to be a hot question.

#### Step 2.

#### **Give arguments for**

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If my memory serves me right...
I believe...
As far as I know...
If I am not mistaken...
In my opinion...
As for...
To start with...
In fact...
As a matter of fact...
One point of view in favour of ...
Actually...
The fact is/The thing is/The point is...
It is not surprising that...
It's well known that...-
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The main advantage... One major advantage... It is important to remember... **Another argument is...** What is more... Further more... More that that... Besides... In addition...

#### **Step 3. Give arguments against.**

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However ...
On the other hand ...
But ...
Nevertheless ...
The main disadvantage of ...
The main drawback of ...
Even though ...
One argument against ...
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Step 4. Draw a conclusion.

To sum up ... In conclusion I would like to stress ... All in all I believe that ... In general ... To make a long story short.

# Thank you for your work! Your task is to write an essay

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