

Argument Essay Flash Draft: Animal Testing

Write an essay in which you ARGUE FOR OR AGAINST using animals for testing or research that will benefit humans. You must take a side!

In your essay, be sure to:

- **TAKE A SIDE** and state your position in a clear, focused introduction.
- Present at least **THREE REASONS** for your position in the body of your essay.
- Use **EVIDENCE** to support each reason. You may use the film, “*Project X*” as one source. For your other points, refer to the handout, “*Animal Testing: Background and some Pro & Con arguments on the issue*”
- **CITE** your sources as you present your evidence. Refer to the film as Jonathan Kaplan’s film, “Project X.” For arguments presented in the Pro/Con packet, do not cite ProCon.org. Instead, refer to the author or title of the source. Use the numbered footnotes to locate your source in the list at the back of the packet. (example: for footnote #50, you would cite Geoff Watts’ article, “Alternatives to Animal Experimentation.”)
- Present a **COUNTERCLAIM**—the best argument against your position (“Others may argue...”)—and respond to it (“However, they are wrong, because...”)
- Write a **CONCLUSION** that sums up your argument and explains why it is the right position.

You will have two days to write your essay.

Write on loose leaf paper; you will turn in the finished essay on Friday.

Turn in the Pro & Con packet at the end of the period.