**7th Grade**

**Argument Essay**

**Directions**: Compose an argumentative essay that support claims in an analysis of a topic or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

Start with gathering research from a variety of sources and specific evidence about the topic. Then create a graphic organizer using your research, and compile the information into a formal essay using MLA format.

Sample Topic: “Should we keep animals in zoos?”

You will need to FIRST take a stance on the topic. Then, you can begin finding research that supports your claim and main points. Complete the graphic organizer for your research and organize them into the correct paragraphs. The final step will be to put the essay into proper essay format, revise, edit, improve and submit

What is your stance on the topic

What are your THREE main reasons? (These will become the THREE main points in your body paragraphs)