

THE BODY: WRITING A PARAGRAPH THE COUNTERCLAIM & YOUR REBUTTAL

1. Write your opponent's counterclaim:

2. Find EVIDENCE to rebut your opponent. Include at least TWO supporting details to back you up (details include expert quotes, facts, statistics, etc.):

3. How can you connect the EVIDENCE to your REBUTTAL? EXPLAIN how the evidence supports your rebuttal and your overall CLAIM, why it's important, and how it negates your opponent's COUNTERCLAIM.

Don't forget to include a TRANSITIONAL word, phrase, or sentence to link one reason to another reason (each reason will have its own paragraph; the beginning OR the end of each paragraph should include a transition).