

DEVELOPING YOUR ARGUMENTS IN ASSIGNMENTS

You can develop an **argument** in an assignment by:

1. Stating your point of view early and clearly in the assignment and presenting a clear rationale to support it. Your point of view should be a consistent one throughout the assignment.
2. Offering **reliable evidence** or examples to support your argument. Reliable evidence is evidence that you have read in reputable and authoritative sources; your tutor will advise you. Try and avoid 'general knowledge' type Internet sites.
3. Showing where this evidence has come from-by citing your sources and listing all your sources in the references section at the end of your assignment.
4. Showing that you are aware of, and have considered arguments that are counter to your own. You will need to summarise counter arguments in a clear, accurate and undistorted way in your assignment.
5. Being able to show why the arguments you have chosen to put forward in the assignment are more convincing than others.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Read 'Finding Your Own Voice in Essays' (Effective Learning Booklet)