



Browsing Help Sheet

Viewing all Topics

Viewing all Topics from the Home Page

Points of View Topics identify the subjects in which *Points of View* contains essays. The *View All Topics* feature lets you view the complete list of Topics right from the *Points of View* Home Page.

To browse the *Points of View* Topics:

1. From the Home Page, click the **View All Topics** tab. *Points of View* displays all the Topics in which *Points of View* essays exist.

The screenshot shows the Points of View Reference Center website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Sign In', 'Folder', 'Preferences', and 'Help'. Below this, there are tabs for 'Home', 'Advanced Search', and 'Visual Search'. A search bar is present with a 'Find:' label and 'SEARCH' and 'CLEAR' buttons. To the right, there is a 'How to...' section with links for 'Choose a topic' and 'See more helpful articles'. The main content area has two tabs: 'Browse by Category' and 'View All Topics', with the latter being selected. Below the tabs, there is a grid of 30 topic links arranged in three columns and ten rows. A red circle highlights the 'View All Topics' tab and the grid of topic links.

527 Groups	Feminism	Pharmacies & Controversial Medications
Abortion & Minors	Fishing Methods	Pledge of Allegiance
Abortion Issues	Flag Burning	Political Parties
Abstinence vs. Education	Foreign Language Fluency & Graduation	Polygamy
Adult Children "Returning to the Nest"	Foreign Policy	Pornography
Affirmative Action	Foster Children Programs	Preventable Disease & Vaccine Supply
AIDS / HIV	Free College Tuition	Privatization of Education
AIDS in Africa	Free Internet	Public Prayer
Air Transportation	Free Trade	Public Transportation
Alcohol Abuse & Minors	Fuel Efficiency	Quality of Education
Allergies in Schools	Funding for the Arts	Quebec Secession
Alternative Energy	Gay & Lesbian Adoption	Race & Culture
Alternative Medicine	Gender Equality	Racial Profiling
Animal Experimentation	Genetically Modified Foods	Religion
Animal Welfare	Global Issues	Reparations for Slavery
Arctic Drilling	Global Warming	Restitution to Native Americans



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2. Click a **Topic**. *Points of View* displays the *Points of View* Tab containing four items for the selected Topic: Overview, Point, Counterpoint, and a Guide to Critical Analysis:
- **Overview** – The Overview essay includes general information about an issue.
 - **Point** – The Point essay presents one argument or “side” of an issue.
 - **Counterpoint** – The Counterpoint essay presents an opposing argument to the Point essay.
 - **Guide to Critical Analysis** – The Guide to Critical Analysis helps students further explore an issue by offering exercises and assignments. This encourages students to scrutinize essay text, evaluate differences between fact and opinion, research other perspectives, and form individual opinions.

The screenshot shows the Points of View Reference Center interface. At the top, there is a search bar with a complex query: `(AN 12441701 OR AN 12441705 OR AN 23253610 OR AN 24868972) OR (("Global Warming" OR "Climat* change*" OR "greenhouse gases" OR "greenhouse effect") NOT IN "Points of View*") OR (("Global Warming" OR "Climat* change*" OR "greenhouse gases" OR "greenhouse effect")`. Below the search bar, there are tabs for "All Results", "Points of View", "Books", "Periodicals", "Newspapers", "Government Documents", and "Images". The "Points of View" tab is selected. The results are displayed in a table with four entries, each with a title, author, publication information, and a link to the full text. A red circle highlights the "Points of View" tab and the search results table.

Rank	Title	Author	Publication	Reading Level (Lexile)	AN	Action
1.	Global Warming: An Overview	Driscoll, Salley	<i>Points of View: Global Warming</i> , 2007, p1-1, 1p;	1290	(AN 23253610)	Add
2.	Point: Overreacting to Climate Change	Witherbee, Amy	<i>Points of View: Global Warming</i> , 2007, p2-2, 1p;	1470	(AN 12441705)	Add
3.	Counterpoint: Cooling Off	Witherbee, Amy	<i>Points of View: Global Warming</i> , 2007, p3-3, 1p;	1410	(AN 12441701)	Add
4.	Global Warming: Guide to Critical Analysis		<i>Points of View: Global Warming</i> , 2007, p4-4, 1p;	1050	(AN 24868972)	Add

3. Click the **All Results** tab to display a complete Result List for the selected Topic.



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Notes:

- Each *Points of View* Point and Counterpoint essay begins with a Thesis statement and a Summary paragraph. The essay consists of an Introduction and a well-constructed main body. Following the essay material, the Ponder This section presents a series of evaluation questions that assist in further exploration and understanding of the topic. Each essay concludes with a Further Reading section that contains links to more articles on the topic.
- When available, *Points of View* essays contain Related Information links. These are links to related items that exist for a specific source type. For example, related items in *Newspapers*, *Books*, or *Periodicals*.
- When available, *Points of View* essays contain images that are related to the topic. You can click the image or the description below the image to view an enlarged copy of the image in a new window.
- If you perform a keyword search while viewing a Category or Topic, *Points of View* searches the entire database - your results are not limited to the Category or Topic selected.

Additional Features



How To...

The *How To* area provides information and guidance when conducting research for an essay. Clicking any of the links in the *How To* area displays articles covering the following topics:

Choosing a topic
Create an essay outline
Writing a thesis statement

Writing a persuasive essay
Citing sources



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Additionally, the *See More Helpful Articles* link includes tools for both students and teachers on how to write position papers. This includes worksheets and training activities covering the following topics:

Judging fact vs. opinion
Evaluating a website
Writing a topic sentence
Writing a conclusion

Taking good notes
Developing notes into an outline
Organizing ideas visually

In the Spotlight

The *In the Spotlight* area (available on the Home Page) highlights key content in the *Points of View Reference Center*. The Spotlight topic is rotated on a regular basis.

To learn more about the Spotlight topic, click the **Read more** link in the *In the Spotlight* area. A search is automatically conducted, and a Result List of relevant content is displayed.