GENDER STUDIES

Contents of Your Argumentative Paper

**3 PAGES:**

* each paragraph should be about half a page
* typed & double spaced in Times New Roman, 12 pt font

1. Intro

* + Hook, Background, Thesis

2. Describe the problem

* + Facts, statistics, use info from class
  + Add more of your own research

3. Propose and explain a solution

* + Lots of detail – EXACTLY what you want to happen

4. How has this solution been effective in the past?

* + Include most of research here – supporting your thesis that THIS is the BEST solution to the gendered problem

5. Identify counter-arguments & explain why they won’t work

* + Research the effectiveness of these other options
  + Acknowledge these ideas, but eventually prove them wrong

6. Re-state MOST IMPORTANT FACTS that support your thesis

* + (Like a lawyer’s final argument)

7. Conclusion

* + Summarize paper:
    - Re-state the issue, your proposed solution, & why it’s the best

8. Works Cited Page

* + At least 3 sources, cited in MLA format

**LIST OF POSSIBLE RESEARCH SITES BY TOPIC:**

Teen Pregnancy:

<http://www.cdc.gov/teenpregnancy/aboutteenpreg.htm>

<http://www.health.state.nm.us/phd/fp/teen_strategies.htm>

Self Esteem:

<http://www.dosomething.org/tipsandtools/11-facts-about-teens-and-self-esteem>

<http://www.dosomething.org/cause/102/act-now>

Pay Gap:

<http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/labor/news/2013/04/09/59658/what-causes-the-gender-wage-gap/>

<http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/10/24/gender-wage-gap-economic-stimulus_n_2007588.html>

<http://thinkprogress.org/economy/2013/04/09/1842001/the-10-jobs-with-the-biggest-gender-wage-gap/?mobile=nc>

<http://www.thenation.com/blog/167423/how-close-gender-wage-gap-just-seven-easy-steps>

<http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/113/s84/text>

<http://www.nytimes.com/2012/12/16/business/to-solve-the-gender-wage-gap-learn-to-speak-up.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0>

Violence Against Women

<http://www.rainn.org/get-information/statistics/frequency-of-sexual-assault>

<http://who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs239/en/index.html>