Problems in Education 60 pts

**Purpose**: To look at modern problems faced by the educational system with an objective approach. Student will examine the issue and look at the positive and negatives of each side of the argument. Students will also lead a classroom discussion on the issue.

Requirements:

* **Define**: Define the issue/problem example if you have charter school, what is a charter school
* **Problem**: Describe the issue in full, why is this topic even an issue in the modern school system right now. Where is this debate taking place(specific examples states etc.)
* **Pro side**: create a list of 5 reasons why this is a good thing, why this should happen
* **Con side**: create a list of 5 reasons why this should not happen or arguments against
* **Personal opinion:** You get to state your personal opinion on the issue
* **Works cited:** cite your sources
* **Class discussion:** you are responsible for leading a group discussion about your issue, have a list of questions prepared to engage the class in a debate on the issue.

What you are graded one

Have all requirements: 10pts

Works Cited page: 5 pts

Information on slides is accurate 15pts

Presentation 15Pts

Did you know you topic?

Volume

Eye contact

How well you lead the discussion 15 pts

Prepared questions

Allowed for people to share thoughts

Kept the conversation on the topic at hand

Topics to choose from:

1. Are schools failing?
2. Year round schooling?
3. 4 day school week?
4. Charter Schools
5. School Vouchers
6. Common Core
7. Personalized learning
8. Online Learning
9. Tablets vs Textbooks
10. Teacher retention
11. Teacher Tenure
12. Performance Pay
13. School uniforms
14. Gender rights
15. School lunches
16. Physical education/recess

Helpful cites

<http://www.education.com/topic/current-education-issues/>

<http://www.procon.org/>