



ACT Essay Writing Tips

1. Adopt a clear opinion.

- Express your view clearly in your thesis statement.
- Ideally choose one of their views. Middle ground is okay as long as you still express your view very clearly (but it's better to avoid middle ground).

2. Have three or four main points that form paragraphs.

- Use examples to make your case.

3. Stay on topic. Spend at least 20 minutes writing, ideally 25 minutes.

4. Start each paragraph with a transitional word or phrase, and a clear statement of the point you're making in that paragraph.

- Examples of transition words: "First, ..." "In addition, ..." "Next, ..." "Finally, ..."

5. Chose words and idioms correctly. Use good grammar.

- Using big vocabulary words can help, but only if you use them correctly.

6. Write an introduction with a clear thesis statement and a conclusion.

- Remember to recognize the complexities of the question in your introduction and conclusion.