

Linking words

Linking words can connect similar or opposite ideas.

Connecting similar ideas/ arguments for	
and	in this way
since	this then
further	in addition
also	as well as
moreover	another way
for instance	therefore
similarly	in fact
finally	including
likewise	by the same token
subsequently	consequently
in the end	after all
seeing that	by reason of
due to	in view of the fact that
as a result	owing to

Connecting opposite ideas / arguments against	
however	on the other hand
but	although
alternatively	despite this
in spite of	others argue that
in contrast	nevertheless
still	on the contrary
while	another way
otherwise	instead
even so	in any case
if not	besides
all the same	on the contrary

For each example below, write one argument in support of the statement and one argument against the statement. Use appropriate linking words and circle them.

ARGUMENT FOR

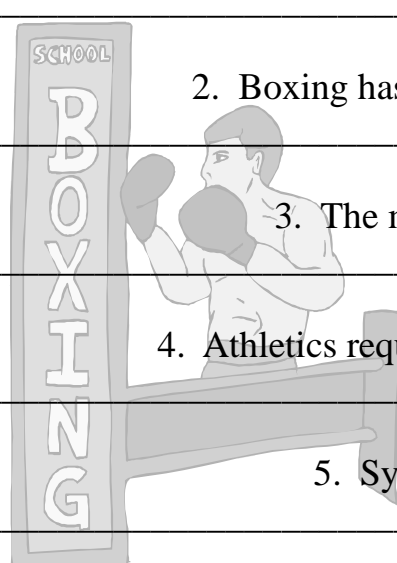
Example: Some students love school.

ARGUMENT AGAINST

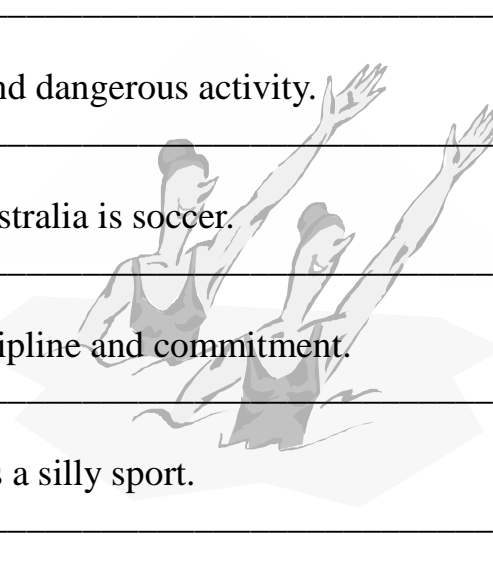
In fact, many people look back on their school days as the best time of their lives.

On the other hand, some students dislike school and join the workforce as soon as they can.

1. Participating in team sports has many benefits for teenagers.



2. Boxing has been called a violent and dangerous activity.



3. The most popular sport in Australia is soccer.

4. Athletics requires a great deal of discipline and commitment.

5. Synchronised swimming is a silly sport.