Synopsis

THIS TITLE HAS BEEN UPDATED TO REFLECT THE 2016 MLA UPDATES! Our editorial team has updated this text based on content from The MLA Handbook, 8th Edition. Browse our catalog or contact your representative for a full listing of updated titles and packages, or to request a custom ISBN. Pairing a best-selling argument text with a thematic reader, Everything’s an Argument with Readings teaches students to analyze the arguments that surround them every day and to create their own. The book starts with proven instructional content by composition luminaries Andrea Lunsford and John Ruszkiewicz, covering five core types of arguments. Revised based on feedback from its large and devoted community of users, the seventh edition offers a new chapter on multimedia argument and more than 35 readings across perspectives and genres, from academic essays and newspaper editorials to tweets and infographics. Combine the text with LaunchPad for Everything’s an Argument with Readings for even more engaging content and new ways to get the most out of your course. Access unique, book-specific materials in a fully customizable online course space; then adapt, assign, and integrate our resources with yours. This LaunchPad includes: Interactive exercises and tutorials for reading, writing, and research LearningCurve adaptive, game-like practice that helps students focus on the topics where they need the most help, such as fallacies, claims, evidence, and other key elements of argument Reading comprehension quizzes Everything’s an Argument is also available in a brief version without the reader.

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Customer Reviews

After teaching a college-level argumentation course for eight years from a traditional text, student comments and my own motivations led me to search for a text that focused on the variety of forms
of argument we hear daily. In "everything's an argument" I found this text. Teaching the argumentation around the question "Is everything and argument?" is a fresh idea that promotes our constant critical thinking as we look for arguments around us. This book provides a variety of excellent examples to illustrate how argument does appear in virtually every aspect of our lives. Exercises at the back of the chapters lead students to analyze arguments they find. I am adopting this text, with some supplementary readings on debate and dialogue, for my Fall 2000 argumentation course. Thank you for a practical, easy-to-read text.

Everything’s An Argument is based on Aristotelian methods of examining the writer’s assumptions. It focuses a lot on the needs of the audience and sticks to the traditional modes of composition. The text itself is very "readable," but the frequent use of quotes excerpted without much context can be frustrating. Very skimpy on readings (thus its affordability). Would work well as a rhetoric with your own course pack, but, on its own, is easily outdone by the many rhetoric/reader combinations available.

The quality of the glue use to hold on the papers was very poor. The papers are coming apart from the first day I started using the book. I just tossed my money into the toilet.

Our class was assigned to read the entire book.... It examines a copious amount of arguments and covers a variety of techniques. The chapter questions (back to highschool homework) are long and tedious. The questions lack interest and are time consuming. I found it to be a huge waste of my time and money. I advise no one to buy this ridiculous book. It actually covers the Toulman method of argumentation, but obviously not as clear as my professor taught. This book should be banned.