

SS-09 · AI Move of the Day · Challenge

Make AI attack your history essay

Want a stronger essay? Ask AI to argue the opposite side. Not so you can copy it. So you can find the weak spot before your teacher does.

Start the challenge

Jump to the prompt

YOUR CURRENT LEVEL

0 XP

Level 1: Argument Starter

Pick your argument

Open AI tool

Ask for the opposite side

Spot one weak point

Rewrite one paragraph

The trick

A weak essay only knows its own side. A stronger essay knows the opposite side too.

Today we use AI like a practice opponent. It argues against you. You keep your brain switched on.

1 Choose your history argument

Pick one essay argument you are already making. One sentence is enough.

Do not start with a giant essay. Start with your main point. The thing you are trying to prove.

My position is:

Example: The Non-Cooperation Movement was a turning point in India's freedom struggle.

Paste your rough argument here:

Paste 4-8 lines from your draft, or write your argument roughly. Messy is allowed.

THOUGHT BULB

The first version of an argument is usually loyal to itself. It protects itself. We need something to poke it.

☐ I picked one history argument I want to test.

2 Open your AI opponent

Use ChatGPT, Claude, Gemini, or any AI tool your school allows.

We are not asking AI to write your essay. We are asking it to attack your idea so you can improve it.

ChatGPT

Claude

Gemini

History essay

Counter-argument

CAUTION BOARD

AI may invent examples, dates, or names while arguing. Use it to find weak spots, not to collect facts blindly. Check important facts in your textbook.

☐ I opened an AI tool in a new tab.

3 **Copy the challenge prompt**

This is the exact move. Replace the brackets with your own essay argument.

COPY-PASTE PROMPT

I'm arguing [your position] in a history essay. Argue the OPPOSITE side as strongly as you can so I can find the holes in mine:

[paste your argument]

Copy prompt

WHY THIS PROMPT WORKS

You are not asking AI, “am I right?” That usually gets a polite answer. You are asking AI to become the other team. Much more useful.

☐ I pasted the prompt and got AI to argue the opposite side.

4 Find the weak spot

Read AI's attack slowly. You are hunting for one useful problem.

Do not panic if AI makes your argument look weak. That is the point. The weak spot was already there. Now you can see it.

Weak spot type 1

Missing evidence

You made a claim, but did not prove it with a date, event, source, or example.

Weak spot type 2

Too one-sided

You ignored a real counter-point that a reader might raise.

Weak spot type 3

Big jump

Your paragraph jumps from idea A to idea C without explaining idea B.

The weak spot AI found:

Example: I said the movement united everyone, but I did not explain who disagreed or why.

NEW WORD, SIMPLE MEANING

This is called **steel-manning**: testing your idea against the strongest version of the opposite side. Not a weaker cartoon version. The real challenge.

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I found one weak spot in my argument.

5 Ask AI for repair options

Now we make the attack useful. Ask for ways to answer the counter-argument.

REPAIR PROMPT

Here is the weak spot in my history essay:

[paste the weak spot]

Give me 3 ways I could answer this counter-argument. Keep it simple. Do not write the paragraph for me. Just give me options.

Copy repair prompt

CAUTION BOARD

The line “Do not write the paragraph for me” matters. You are still the writer. AI is only helping you see possible moves.

☐ I asked AI for repair options, not a finished paragraph.

6 Rewrite one paragraph yourself

Now close the loop. Take one paragraph and make it stronger.

Your job is not to add every counter-argument. Your job is to answer one important one clearly.

Before

The movement was important because many Indians joined it and it made the British worried.

After

The movement was important because it turned protest into a mass action. But it also had limits: not every group joined for the same reason, and some withdrew when violence increased. That makes it important, but not simple.

My improved paragraph:

Rewrite one paragraph in your own words. Use AI's attack as a clue, not as a copy source.

SUCCESS CHECK

You win if your paragraph now answers the other side instead of pretending it does not exist.

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I rewrote one paragraph myself.

7 Turn it into an AI Move card

Use this if you need to show the move as a finished mini-output.

AI MOVE OF THE DAY CARD TEXT

Hook: Want a stronger essay? Ask AI to attack it.

Move: Paste your history argument and ask AI to argue the opposite side.

Success: You found one weak spot.

Closer: Rewrite one paragraph to answer the counter-argument.

☐

I made or planned the AI Move card.

Finish the challenge

Before you leave, do one tiny thing. Save the improved paragraph somewhere you can find it again.

☐ I checked any important historical facts in my textbook or notes.

☐ I did not copy AI's paragraph as my own.

☐ I saved one improved paragraph and know what changed.

5-MINUTE ACTION

Open your essay now. Pick one paragraph. Add one sentence that answers the strongest counter-argument. Then close the tab.

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