

Methodencurriculum des Gymnasiums Othmarschen

Comment

Was ist ein comment und wozu dient diese Anleitung?

In vielen verschiedenen Textsorten fordern uns Aussagen und Inhalte zur Stellungnahme, zum Formulieren der eigenen Meinung in mündlicher oder schriftlicher Form heraus. Eine dieser Formen ist der personal **comment** (die persönliche Stellungnahme).

Diese Anleitung hilft dir dabei, einen strukturierten und logischen Comment auf Englisch zu schreiben und liefert dir wesentliche Fachtermini, die dazu notwendig sind.

How to proceed:

Usually the comment is divided into three parts:

1. statement of opinion
2. argumentation
3. conclusion

To make sure that your comment is logically structured, you should follow the **six steps** below:

1. Read the tasks and make sure you know what you have to do, e.g. if you have to discuss pros and cons or if you have to state your opinion.
2. Collect and group your ideas (e.g. in a mind map, table, list, grid).
3. Write your introductory statement.
4. Devote one paragraph to each of the arguments you want to present.
5. Make a concluding statement, in which you sum up your arguments.
6. Always proofread your text.

Fächer: Deutsch, Fremdsprachen

Jahrgang:

Useful phrases for a comment:

Stating your Opinion

It seems to me that ...	I can imagine that ...
In my opinion, ...	I think/believe/suppose ...
I am of the opinion that .../ I take the view that ..	Personally, I think ...
My personal view is that ...	That is why I think ...
In my experience ...	I am sure/certain/convinced that ...
As far as I understand / can see, ...	I am not sure/certain, but ...
As I see it, ... / From my point of view ...	I am not sure, because I am not familiar with the situation.
As far as I know ... / From what I know ...	
I might be wrong but ...	I am not convinced that ...
If I am not mistaken ...	I have read that ...
I believe one can (safely) say ...	I am of mixed opinions (about / on) ...
It is claimed that ...	I am of mixed opinions about / on this.
I must admit that ...	I have no opinion in this matter.
I cannot deny that ...	

Agreement

There are many reasons for ...	I am of the same opinion.
There is no doubt about it that ...	I am of the same opinion as the author.
I simply must agree with that author.	I completely/absolutely agree with the

Qualified Disagreement

It is only partly true that...	That is not necessarily so.
I can agree with that only with reservations.	It is not as simple as it seems.
That seems obvious, but ...	Under certain circumstances ...

Disagreement

There is more to it than that.	I am of a different opinion because ...
The problem is that ...	I cannot share this / that / the view.
I (very much) doubt whether ...	I cannot agree with this idea.
This is in complete contradiction to ...	What I object to is ...
What is even worse, ...	Unlike the author I think ...

Linking Arguments

First of all, I think ...	Because of ...
Not only that, but I also think that ...	That is why ...
Not only are they ..., they are also ...	After all, ...
They are not ..., nor are they ...	The reason is that ...
There are various/several/many reasons for this.	In that respect ...
First, ... / Firstly, ...	The result of this is that ...
Second, ... / Secondly, ...	Another aspect/point is that ...
Moreover, ... / Furthermore, ... / In addition, ...	It is because ...
Another significant point is that ...	Although it is true that ... it would be wrong to claim that ...
Finally, ...	That may sometimes be true, but ...
On the one hand, ... On the other hand, ...	One could argue that ..., but ...
In contrast to this is ...	