



Position Paper Guide

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Here are five steps to writing a good position paper.

Step one: What is the topic about *in general* terms?

- Read the research reports, they have a lot of general information about each topic
- Answer: What is going on? Who is involved? Who does it affect? Where is it happening? What is the current situation? What implications does the conflict have? (Social, moral, environmental, etc.)
- Mention Key players: Countries, NGOs, organizations, etc.
- Good to use Statistics in this section
- Look into the background history, what has led up to the conflict?

Step two: *What has the UN done in the last 20 years regarding the topic?*

- Try to find resolutions, treaties, or conventions that regard the topic
- There are some in the research report that you should take a look at

Step three: *Most important portion:* *What is your countries policy on the issue?*

- What is your countries policy or attitude towards the topic?
- What has your country done regarding the topic?
- If you are struggling look at your countries allies and their policies especially the P5.



Step four: *What possible solutions are there to the topic?*

- You don't have to solve the problem completely, but you just need to manage it
- What can you do, are there any existing resolution that you can add on to?
- You are really encouraged to think of new solutions to the issues, but they need to be: doable, plausible, reasonable, and in your countries policy.

Step Five: Bibliography

- Where did you find your information?
- Please you full citations but the format you use does not matter.