

English 105 – Unit 2 IP

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I have chosen this topic because, although I know there needs to be something done to reduce the amount of crime in our communities, I do not believe that stricter gun control laws are the solution to this problem. As a hunter and a gun owner, I believe that it is our responsibility to speak out and educate the general public to the true meaning of being a gun owner. We do not purchase and own guns to commit crimes; however, that is what the media and lobbyists want the public to think.

There are many crimes committed every day with firearms, but most of these crimes are committed with weapons purchased illegally on the black market. Law-abiding gun owners are responsible citizens who have been taught proper gun safety and respect of the power of a firearm. Therefore, I believe that stricter gun control laws will take away our constitutional right to bear arms and make the general public more vulnerable to other types of crimes such as armed robbery, burglary, and assault. Worse, criminals will still have access to purchase firearms on the black market and yet law abiding citizens will have no access to legal firearms with which to protect themselves and their families.

Topic Sentence Outline

Topic: Gun control laws

Thesis: Stricter gun control laws will not reduce crime any better than current gun control laws.

Body paragraph topic sentence 1. Stricter gun control laws will not reduce crime because current gun control laws are not effectively enforced.

Body paragraph topic sentence 2. Stricter gun control laws will not reduce crime because gun control eliminates our right of self-defense, leaving the public vulnerable to other types of crime.

Body paragraph topic sentence 3. Stricter gun control laws will not reduce crime because these laws do not target the real causes of gun violence: the criminal nature of the people who carry out these acts of violence.

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