



Annotated Student Response

SAMPLE 3-POINT RESPONSE

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2. The use of cellphones at school is an ongoing battle every day at all schools. Many times, teachers and administrators don't see the advantages of using a cell phone during class, so they simply ban them. While there are pros and cons to cellphone usage during school, in most cases, the good out weighs the bad.

Cellphones can do many of the things that computers can do now. You can get research done without taking the time to turn a computer on, log on, and open the internet. You can communicate silently with students in your room, or even down the hall. You can communicate with your parents without the disruption of going to the office to call. You can even take tests/quizzes on your cell phone now.

I know most administrators and



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Teachers believe that students will use their cellphones for things other than school, but the truth is that if students were really that intent on having conversations during class, chances are they already do. Most students don't use their cell phones inappropriately and I believe that in some cases, students would behave better in school if phone usage was allowed. Many times we get finished with our work early but cannot do anything we can't talk and get restless, which causes us to get in trouble. Cellphones would give us something else to occupy our time.

The benefits outweigh the disadvantages of cellphone usage. Many students would get work done more quickly and efficiently. Cellphones would allow an easier work environment for students throughout the day.