

## ARGUMENTATIVE

Synonyms: contentious, quarrelsome, truculent, contrary, irritable, touchy, hostile

Refusing to be beaten in an argument, he enjoys a debate simply for its own sake.

Seeing life as a game, he always tries to stay one-up on whomever he is dealing with.

It is of paramount importance to this person that he explain his point thoroughly and completely. What he sees as an explanation though, others take as pushy and argumentative.

She can seem argumentative because she really wants to communicate and tends to keep prodding for the desired result, even when the other person would rather change the subject.

His habit of talking about a matter until he has the other party either convinced or beaten is called being argumentative. Of course, he would never agree.

You love an argument, not because you are hostile, but just for the fun of the debate.

Anyone who gets involved in conversation with you had better keep their intellectual wits about them!

He has a strong need to defend his ideas and actions.

Prone to argue, sometimes just for the sake of argument, his imagination fuels the fire and provides reasons or causes to disagree about.

Resilient and independent, she can seem argumentative when defending her views. However, since her views can change rapidly, she may end up arguing on both sides of an issue.

It seems as if he is always tense and ready for a fight. You can just see him, chin stuck out belligerently, lips pursed, hands gripped in a tight fist.

He seems to be empathetic, but his mind is actually racing 'way ahead, coming up with new arguments, even as you are still speaking.

This individual can't stand to be beaten in a debate. He will keep arguing his point of view until everyone tires of it and gives up.

Quietly but firmly, she defends her views.

When you communicate, your listener's understanding is so vital to you that you are willing to go over and over a point to make sure you are getting your message across. The trouble is, the other party may see you as merely being argumentative.

When you argue, it is usually about abstract concepts rather than actualities. You seem to feel a continued need to defend and justify your ideas and actions.

The need for intellectual stimulation often prompts the writer to goad others into a debate.