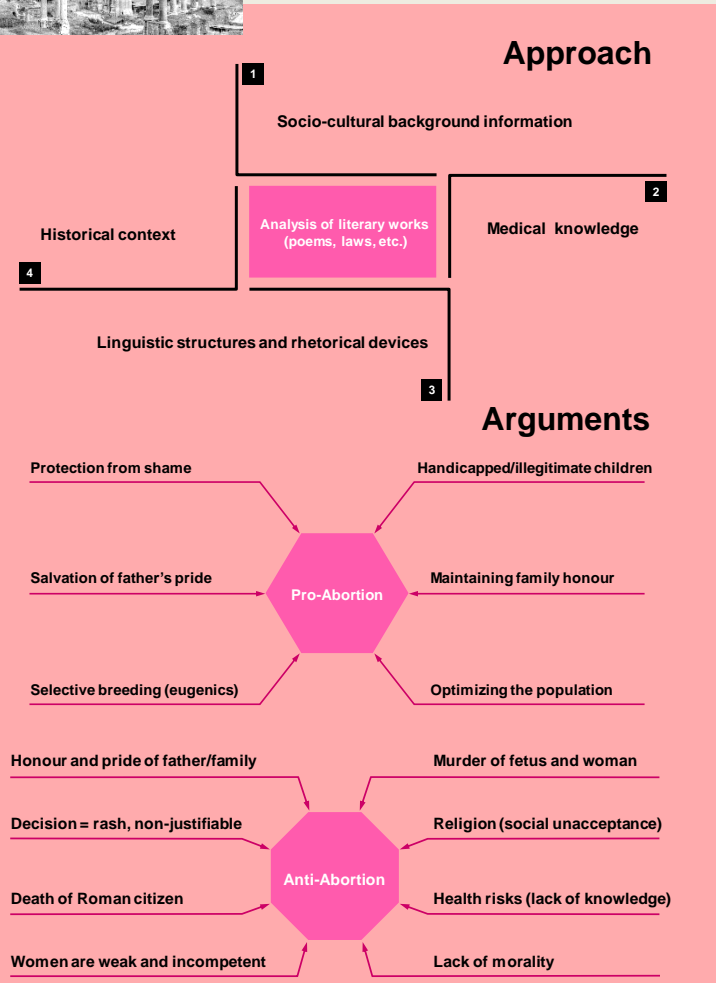


# The Abortion Debate: A Comparison between Ancient Rome/Greece and Modern America

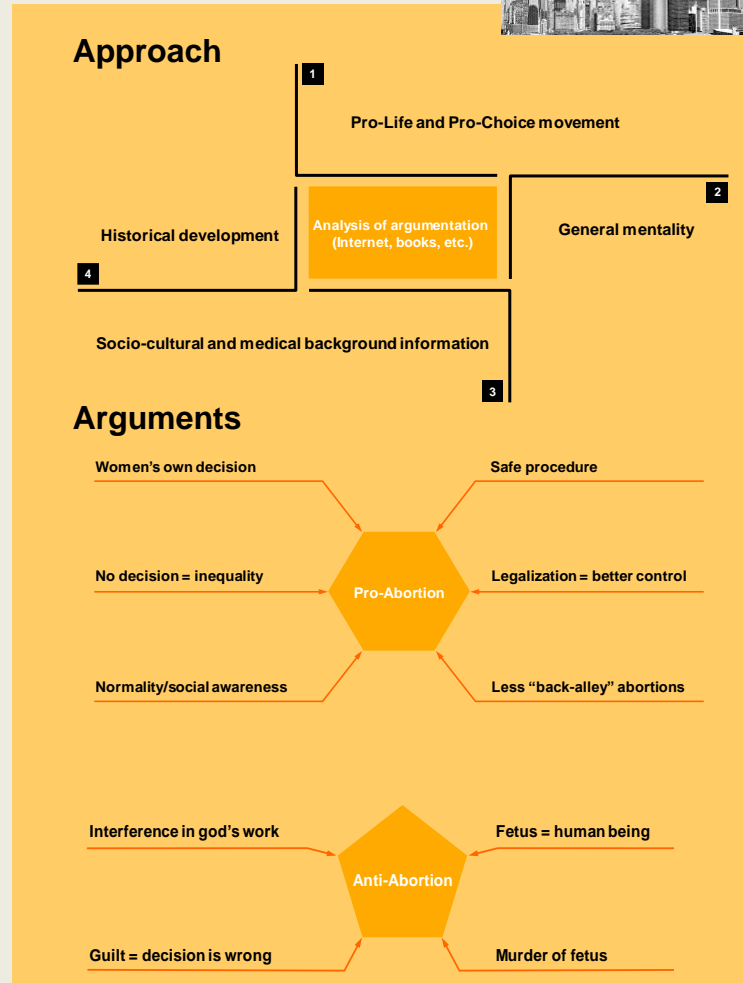
What similarities do pro- and anti-abortion arguments in Ancient Rome/Greece have with the pro- and anti-arguments of the current abortion debate in modern America?



## Ancient Rome/Greece



## Modern America



## Comparison

### Pro-abortion arguments

There are **no** similarities.

In contrast to the arguments found in modern America, the argumentation in Rome/Greece focuses on society-, state- and men-centric factors and does not consider the fetus or women.

The abortion debate nowadays is however focused on women's rights and female individuality, which had not been part of the debate and mentality in Ancient Rome/Greece.

### Anti-abortion arguments

There are **many** similarities.

Religion is used to argument against abortion. Abortion is murder. Not only the procedure itself is criticized but also the circumstances under which the decision to get an abortion are put in a negative light. This decision is supposedly made in rashness and cannot be supported morally.

There are also some differences. In Ancient Rome/Greece they focus on society-, state- and men-centric factors, whereas in modern America, the arguments are fetus-centric.

Many arguments are misogynistic.

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