

Cornell Motes

Argumentative Writing in Disciplines

Today's Standard

11-12.WHST.1b - Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant data and evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both claim(s) and counterclaims in a discipline-appropriate form that anticipates the audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.

Cues	Notes
What are claims and counterclaims?	Claims are statements that assert a point of view.
Why is it important to present	Counterclaims are opposing viewpoints to the claims.
both claims and counterclaims?	Presenting both claims and counterclaims makes an argument more balanced and credible.
How do you evaluate the credibility of evidence?	Evaluate evidence based on its source, relevance, and accuracy.
What are the strengths and limitations of an argument?	Understand the strengths and limitations of your argument to improve its persuasiveness.
How can you anticipate the audience's knowledge and biases?	Consider the audience's knowledge, concerns, values, and biases when forming your argument.

Summary

Developing strong arguments involves presenting both claims and counterclaims with credible evidence, understanding the strengths and limitations of the argument, and considering the audience's perspective.