



Evaluating Arguments in Nonfiction

Today's Standard

6.W.9b - Apply grade 6 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., 'Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not').

Cues	Notes
What is an argument?	An argument is a set of reasons or evidence in support of a conclusion.
What are claims?	Claims are statements that assert something to be true.
How do you identify evidence?	Evidence includes facts, statistics, and examples that support a claim.
What is the difference between fact and opinion?	Facts are verifiable truths, while opinions are personal beliefs.
Why is it important to evaluate arguments?	Evaluating arguments helps determine the credibility and validity of information.

Summary

Understanding how to evaluate arguments and distinguish between supported and unsupported claims is crucial for critical thinking and informed decision-making.