

# Discipline-Specific Argument Writing

## Today's Standard

11-12.WHST.1 - Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

# Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a research paper on a historical event; Creating a scientific report with argumentative elements; Developing a technical manual with persuasive sections; Constructing a debate speech on a scientific topic; Authoring an article for a history journal

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about writing arguments that are specific to history, science, and technical subjects. This means making strong points and backing them up with good evidence.

# **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Some kids think all arguments are the same, but they are not. Each subject has its own way of making arguments. Also, arguments need good evidence to be strong.

#### Quiz Me

- What is an argument?
- Why do we need evidence?
- What is a thesis?
- Can you name a type of writing that needs arguments?
- Why is it important to use good sources?

## Help Me

Writing arguments is important in real life. For example, scientists need to explain their experiments, and historians need to tell why events happened. Using good evidence helps make these arguments strong.