



## 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').

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyze news articles for supported and unsupported claims.; Evaluate arguments in editorials and opinion pieces.; Assess the validity of arguments in historical documents.; Examine claims in scientific reports and studies.

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to tell if arguments in nonfiction texts are supported by evidence. This helps us know if the information is true and reliable.

### Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids might think all claims in a text are true or that their own opinions can be used as evidence. It's important to look for facts and proof to support claims.

### Quiz Me

- What is a claim?
- What is evidence?
- How can you tell if a claim is supported?
- What is the difference between a fact and an opinion?
- Why is it important to check if claims are supported?

### Help Me

When reading nonfiction, look for claims that are backed up by facts and evidence. This helps you know if the information is true and can be trusted. For example, in a news article, check if the writer provides proof for what they are saying.

