

Parent Guide to the

# Effective Conclusions in Argumentative Writing

## Today's Standard

7.W.1e - Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a persuasive essay for a school assignment; Crafting a compelling conclusion for a debate speech; Summarizing key points in a letter to the editor; Creating a conclusion for a research paper; Writing a blog post with a strong closing argument

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to write a strong conclusion for an argumentative essay. A good conclusion helps to remind the reader of the main points and why they are important.

### **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, students think a conclusion is just a summary. But it's more than that; it should also show why the argument matters. Another mistake is adding new information in the conclusion, which can confuse the reader.

### Quiz Me

- What is a conclusion?
- Why do we write conclusions?
- What should you not add in a conclusion?
- How can a conclusion help your argument?
- Can you tell me one thing a good conclusion should do?

### Help Me

A conclusion is like the ending of a story. It should remind people of what you talked about and why it's important. For example, if you wrote about why we should recycle, your conclusion would remind people of the best reasons to recycle and why it helps the Earth.