



## Cohesive Argument Writing

### Today's Standard

8.W.1c - Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing persuasive essays; Debating in class; Creating structured arguments in speeches; Analyzing argumentative texts; Developing clear and coherent written reports

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to make our writing clear and easy to follow. We practiced connecting our ideas and making sure our reasons and evidence support our main point.

### Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think that using big words makes their writing better, but it's more important to make sure their ideas are clear. Another mistake is listing facts without explaining why they matter. We need to explain how our evidence supports our main idea.

### Quiz Me

- What is a claim?
- Why do we need evidence?
- What makes writing clear?
- How do we connect ideas?
- What is a reason?

### Help Me

When we write, it's like telling a story. We need to make sure our story makes sense and all the parts fit together. For example, if we're saying that eating vegetables is good, we need to explain why and give examples that show this.