

Argumentative Writing Techniques

Today's Standard

9-10.W.1b - Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Debating in a classroom setting; Writing persuasive essays; Analyzing editorials and opinion pieces; Creating balanced arguments in research papers; Participating in mock trials

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about how to make strong arguments in writing by including different points of view and supporting them with evidence.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think that showing other viewpoints makes their argument weaker, but it actually makes it stronger. They might also think they only need evidence for their main point, but they need it for all points.

Quiz Me

- What is a claim?
- Why is it good to show different viewpoints?
- What do you need to support a claim?
- Who is your audience?
- Why do you need evidence for all points?

Help Me

When you write an argument, it's like a debate. You need to show both sides and give reasons for each. This helps people understand and trust what you are saying.