The **5 Steps** to Argumentalizing Instruction



Organize the Unit around a Debatable Issue or Problem



Teach Content through Arguments about the Debatable Issue or Problem



Prioritize Two Skills: Use of Evidence and Engagement with Other Views



Employ a Structured Argumentation Activity as Performance Task



Assess for Summary, Argumentative Claims, Evidence, Refutation, and Evaluation



"Argument literacy" is fundamental to being educated. The university is largely an "argument culture"... Argument [is] the soul of an education. -- Common Core Standards

The central motivation of scientists is to put forth what they believe is the best explanation for a natural phenomenon, and to verify that representation through well-wrought arguments.

-- Next Generation Science Standards

Mathematically proficient students . . . justify their conclusions, communicate them to others, and respond to the arguments of others. -- CCS Standards of Math Practice

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