

THE LANGUAGE OF ARGUMENT

ARGUMENTATIVE CLAIM

A viewpoint, interpretation, or conclusion supported by evidence and reasoning

CASE

A series of arguments arranged to advance or defend an overall position

COUNTER-ARGUMENT

An argument that opposes or contradicts another argument

CROSS-EXAMINATION

Allotted time for questioning of a speaker in a debate

DEBATABLE ISSUE

A central, open, important issue on which arguments can be made

EVALUATION

Comparing or resolving clashing arguments by analyzing evidence and reasoning

EVIDENCE

Factual, objective support for an argumentative claim

FLOW SHEET

A form used to track arguments

INDUCTIVE ARGUMENT

A probabilistic argument built up from specific instances or examples

OVERALL POSITION

The broad argumentative stance that all of one's arguments are meant to support

REASONING

Analytical explanation showing how evidence proves a claim

REBUTTAL

A debate speech responding to an opponent's speech

REFUTATION

The process of responding to or answering an argument or counter-argument

SUMMARY

Concise paraphrase of what someone else said or wrote

WARRANT

A term that means the same as "reasoning"

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ARGUMENT-
CENTERED
EDUCATION