

Building Arguments

Khi tranh biện, em cần xây dựng được những lập luận thật rõ ràng. Trước tiên, em phải chọn được các lập luận hỗ trợ tốt cho lập luận chính của mình. Sau đó, hãy tìm những dẫn chứng củng cố cho từng lập luận hỗ trợ đó. Cuối cùng, em cần giải thích vì sao lập luận của đối thủ lại không đúng. Đó gọi là phản biện.

Main Argument



Supporting
Arguments



Supporting
Examples



Counterargument

Đọc những câu hỏi dưới đây và chọn câu trả lời phù hợp nhất.

1. Which sentence best summarizes the main argument in favor of banning mobile phones from school?
 - a. Schools are required to have emergency phones.
 - b. Students do not need their phones during school hours.
 - c. Parents should not buy their kids expensive phones.
2. Which sentence is a supporting argument for the main argument you chose?
 - a. Too many students cannot afford their own mobile phones.
 - b. The latest phones are too complicated for students to use on their own.
 - c. There is no reason for students to make calls or to send texts during class.
3. Which sentence gives a good supporting example for the supporting argument you chose above?
 - a. Students take classes all day long, and textbooks are all they need.
 - b. Students without mobile phones will be jealous of those with phones.
 - c. Access to the Internet will provide helpful information.
4. Which sentence is the best counterargument against the opposite team?
 - a. Removing phones from schools keeps students focused on their studies.
 - b. Students own their mobile phones, so schools cannot just take them away.
 - c. Most students do not really want to bring their phones to school anyway.

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Opinion Examples

Đọc ý kiến của hai bạn học sinh dưới đây rồi hoàn thành câu tóm tắt bên dưới.

Main Argument

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Mobile phones should be banned at schools.

I totally agree. Mobile phones are unnecessary at schools.

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Chris

Mobile phones can do many things, like connecting to the Internet and sending text messages. However, students do not need to do any of these things while they are at school. A school already has all the tools that students need to learn. Having a mobile phone will only distract students. Students do not have the ability to keep themselves from using phones during class. So schools should just ban phones instead.

Summary Schools already have all the _____ students need, so mobile phones are _____.

That's not right. Students need their mobile phones!

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Michelle

Students' phones are their property. If students are not hurting other students with their phones, then they should be allowed to use their phones at school. Mobile phones are an important part of the modern world. Students need to stay connected. Students should be able to contact their parents if they need to. They should be allowed to play games if they want to.

Summary Michelle believes that students should be allowed to _____ their phones if they do not hurt other _____.