

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 smoking in public?
 - a. A public smoking ban would lead to fewer smokers.
 - b. A ban on public smoking would be a waste of resources.
 - c. Smoking cigarettes causes cancer and other diseases.
2. Which sentence is a supporting argument for the main argument you chose above?
 - a. Buying and smoking cigarettes is not illegal.
 - b. People are less likely to smoke when it is not convenient.
 - c. A ban on public smoking would require more CCTV cameras.
3. Which sentence gives a good supporting example for the supporting argument you chose above?
 - a. Police would have to go after people who smoke in public.
 - b. Smoking is one of the worst habits a person can have.
 - c. If smokers have to walk more than five minutes to have a cigarette, they are less likely to smoke.
4. Which sentence is the best counterargument against the opposite team?
 - a. A public smoking ban will make smokers unhappy.
 - b. If people do not like secondhand smoke, they can avoid places where people smoke.
 - c. If people have the right to smoke cigarettes anywhere, people also have the right to breathe clean air.

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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

Smoking in public should be banned.

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I agree. No more smoking in public!



People who smoke in public affect other people. Sometimes when I'm walking down the street, there are people smoking around me. I sometimes breathe in their cigarette smoke. The smoke smells so bad. It goes into my lungs and makes my clothes smelly. As long as people can smoke in public, these kinds of problems will occur. People have the right to smoke, but they don't have the right to make other people smelly and sick.



Kayla

Summary Kayla says that smokers do not have the right to make other people smelly and sick.

I disagree. People can do what they want!



People have a choice to smoke cigarettes. People also have a choice whether they want to be around smokers. Public smoking bans are unfair. They punish smokers for doing a legal activity. If you don't like being around people who are smoking in public, you can choose places without smokers. We don't need the government telling people when and where they can smoke.



Jackson

Summary Jackson says people can choose whether they want to be around smokers.