

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 making decisions as a group?
 - a. It is easier to come up with ideas as a group.
 - b. Groupthink can cause groups to make bad decisions.
 - c. It is faster to make decisions alone.
2. Which sentence is a supporting argument for the main argument you chose above?
 - a. Individuals have more freedom than groups.
 - b. Group decisions are too slow to be effective.
 - c. Groups can use each member's knowledge to come up with ideas.
3. Which sentence gives a good supporting example for the supporting argument you chose above?
 - a. When a mistake is made, the group needs someone to blame.
 - b. Groups can think of more and various solutions than individuals.
 - c. If we need to make urgent decisions, it is better to do that alone.
4. Which sentence is the best counterargument against the opposite team?
 - a. Groups cannot think clearly or creatively.
 - b. Individuals are much more likely to be right in their choices.
 - c. Individuals may feel more pressure and make wrong decisions.

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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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It is better to make decisions as a group.

I think groups make better decisions.



Groups make better decisions than individuals. When I have a project at school with my classmates, sometimes we need to make decisions about what to do on the project. Everyone can share his or her ideas and write them down on paper. This way, I can find more good ideas than I can think of on my own. We can then decide together what we think the best idea is.



Kayla

Summary Kayla believes that _____ can make better decisions when everyone shares their _____.

That's not right! Individuals make better choices.



I think individuals make better choices. Sometimes I say yes to something just to make my friends happy even though I don't like it. For example, during recess, my friends and I decide what game to play. I like soccer, but they like baseball more. So I usually play baseball just because I do not want to argue with them. Sometimes it is better to make my own choice without my friends.



Jackson

Summary Jackson sometimes agrees with his friends' _____ just because he doesn't want to _____.