Name _____ Counterclaim



Counterclaim

Choose a word from the box to complete each sentence.

rebut	opposes	identifying
anticipate	discredit	credibility

1. A counterclaim is an argument that _____ your thesis statement.

2. Counterclaims attempt to _____ the main points of your argument.

3. When writing your argumentative essay, it is important to _____ what the counterclaims to your thesis might be.

4. Your thesis paragraph is where you tell the reader what you are claiming and how you plan to prove it, which includes _____ counterclaims and why they are incorrect.

5. You _____ each counterclaim in detail later in the essay.

6. Part of a writer's _____ depends on demonstrating to the reader that they have considered possible counterclaims and have found them to be insubstantial or invalid.

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