

The Language of an Argument Grows With the Writer

Early Writing	Developing Persuasion	Developing Argument	More Formal Argument
K–2	3–5	6	7–8
I like...	I believe...	My claim is...	The evidence suggests...
because	one reason	based on	This demonstrates...
also	another reason	furthermore	More importantly...
I think	in my opinion	the evidence shows	This reasoning supports...
I don't agree	I disagree because	another perspective is	Although some may argue...
That's why...	for these reasons	therefore	Taken together...

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