

Grades  
6 - 8

# Mode Persuasive : Opinion / Argument

*Purpose: To Present and Defend a Position.*

Expert

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- I make a solid argument with a claim that shows in-depth understanding of my topic.
- My evidence is substantial and relevant, and it clearly supports my claim. I nailed this.

Well Done

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- I acknowledge and challenge the opposing view.
- I am careful about using reliable sources and cite them accurately.

Almost There

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- I state an argument and a claim but they only show a general understanding of the topic.
- My evidence is limited and only partially supports my claim. I need to do more research.

Making Strides

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- I give just a passing mention to the opposing view.
- I drew from various sources of information and cite most of them.

On My Way

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- I don't state an argument or claim. I need one!
- I don't provide any evidence for my opinion.
- I haven't thought through the opposing view.
- I didn't draw from any sources. Maybe I'll start the paper over with a stronger claim.

Getting Started

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