



# Argumentative Writing

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: Grade 5

## Part A: Fix the Sentence

Each sentence has an error. Rewrite it correctly on the line.

1. Fix the sentence: I believe recess should be longer because it is more fun than class.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Fix the sentence: Dogs are the best pets and everyone knows it.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fix the sentence: Homework is bad, so teachers should stop giving it.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

## Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a statement that tells the reader what you believe and plan to prove.
2. A fact can be \_\_\_\_\_ as true or false, while an opinion expresses a personal belief.
3. A strong claim is specific, debatable, and can be supported with \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The sentence "Ice cream tastes better than cake" is an example of an \_\_\_\_\_.

## Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. What is the difference between a claim and a fact? Give one example of each.

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2. Rewrite this weak claim as a strong one: 'Video games are bad.'

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### Part A: Fix the Sentence

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1. Fix the sentence: I believe recess should be longer because it is more fun than class.

Rewrite: Schools should extend recess because studies show physical activity improves students' focus and test scores.

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2. Fix the sentence: Dogs are the best pets and everyone knows it.

Rewrite: Dogs make excellent family pets because they provide companionship and encourage regular exercise.

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3. Fix the sentence: Homework is bad, so teachers should stop giving it.

Rewrite: Teachers should reduce homework because excessive assignments can cause stress and take away family time.

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### Part B: Fill in the Blank

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Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. A claim is a statement that tells the reader what you believe and plan to prove.
2. A fact can be proven as true or false, while an opinion expresses a personal belief.
3. A strong claim is specific, debatable, and can be supported with evidence.
4. The sentence "Ice cream tastes better than cake" is an example of an opinion.

### Part C: Short Answer

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Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. What is the difference between a claim and a fact? Give one example of each.

*A fact is a statement that can be proven true, like 'Water freezes at 32 degrees Fahrenheit.' A claim is a debatable statement that needs support, like 'Schools should serve healthier lunches.'*

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2. Rewrite this weak claim as a strong one: 'Video games are bad.'

*Students should limit video game time to one hour per day because too much screen time can reduce*

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