Introducing Your Argument

I ask you to consider...

It is undeniable that....

I strongly believe that...

It is obvious that...

It is clear that...

My position is that...

The fact is that...

In my opinion, ...

I think that...

When we provide an opinion, we are telling them whether we like or dislike something.



Developing Your Argument



We can justify our opinion providing different reasons as to why we think our idea is true.

We often see this in persuasive texts. There is one point made for each paragraph and each of the points contribute to the main idea.



Countering

However, ... Despite...

Nevertheless, ... But...

Even so, ... In fact, ...

Whereas... Conversely, ...



In some cases, there can be counter arguments. These argue against the original idea.

Sometimes, authors will argue both for and against in the same text.



Concluding

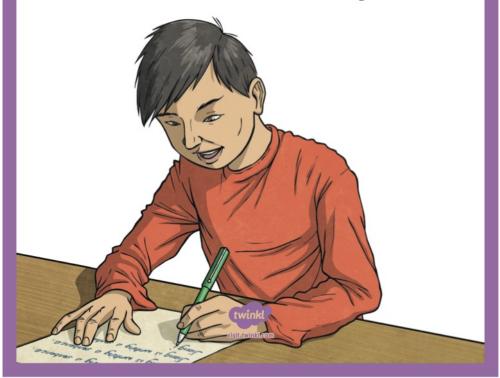
In summary, ... In conclusion, ...

To conclude, ... For these reasons, ...

Finally, ... All in all, ...

All this taken into In short, ...

account, ... Ultimately, ...



On each of these slides, there are examples of the type of language we can use when writing about our opinion.

When we are saying our opinions aloud, we can also state them in a similar way.

- 1. Introduce your idea.
- Provide 2-3 reasons why you think this.
- 3. Conclude your idea by summarising your points.

