PEEL

**Point**
Make your point

**Evidence**
Back it up!
Support your point or claim with evidence and examples

**Explanation**
Explain how the evidence supports your claim

**Link**
Link this point to the next point in the following paragraph

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.CCRA.W.1 Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

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Organize your thoughts before writing your paragraph(s) by using the **PEEL** method.
(1) Think about the **POINT** of your paragraph, (2) what **EVIDENCE** you have, (3) an **EXPLANATION** of your evidence, and a (4) **LINK** or transition into your next paragraph.

**Topic:**

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**POINT:** What is your main **point** of this paragraph? What is the one thing you want the reader to know?

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**EVIDENCE:** Find facts, testimonies, (quotes), statistics, and expert opinions to support your main point. Write pieces of **evidence** below.

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**EXPLANATION:** How will you **explain** your supporting evidence? What do the facts mean? How do they support and make your point?

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**LINK:** How does this point **link** to your next point? What are some ways you can connect the two?

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