FOCUS ON

Writing an Argument

1. Write a paragraph that explains the main ideas of Chapter 3.

2. If you had to write an argument, what topic would you choose? Why?

3. What is an example of a linking word?

A. introduction

B. therefore

C. draft

4. Why is it helpful to end your essay with a conclusion?

A. Readers will be more likely to disagree with you.

B. Readers will be reminded of your main argument.

C. Readers will be unable to understand the evidence.

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5. What does **reorganize** mean in this book?

First, read through your essay. Does each paragraph flow smoothly? If not, you may need to ***reorganize*** *your sentences.*

A. to put in a different order
B. to state an opinion
C. to research a topic

6. What does **transition** mean in this book?

Linking words include because, therefore, *and* for example. *Also, use* ***transition*** *words when moving from one paragraph to the next.*

A. editing a draft
B. proving an argument
C. connecting two things

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Answer Key:

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. B
5. A
6. C

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