## Building ARGUMENTATIVE Writing

NEWS VS STORIES





Language Arts

#### INTRODUCTION

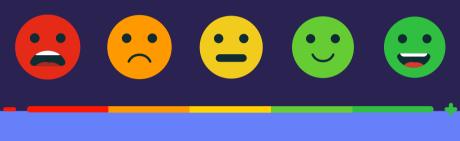
Arguments are a part of every day life and they can be used for many purposes - to change someone's point of view, to promote social action, or to ask an audience to accept the writer's stance on a concept, issue or problem.

Writers use different tools to help you agree with them. We'll learn how to spot these tools in news articles and stories.

### TYPES OF REASONING







Emotional



Ethical

Uses facts, proof, and numbers

Uses feelings, stories, and sympathy

Talks about what's right or fair



#### LOGICAL REASONING IN NEWS ARTICLES

- Uses facts and proof
- Numbers and statistics
- Experts or scientists

#### Example:

• "85% of ocean pollution comes from plastic," scientists say.



#### LOGICAL REASONING IN STORIES

- Shows cause and effect
- Realistic events
- Smart choices by characters

#### Example:

In Charlotte's Web,
 Charlotte explains how her web-writing will save Wilbur.



#### EMOTIONAL REASONING IN NEWS ARTICLES

- Uses personal stories
- Quotes from real people
- Talks about feelings

#### Example:

 "Ten-year-old Sarah was overjoyed when her community built a new playground."



#### EMOTIONAL REASONING IN STORIES

- Describes how characters feel
- Makes the reader care
- Uses powerful language

#### Example:

 We feel sad when a character loses their best friend in a story.



#### ETHICAL REASONING IN NEWS ARTICLES

- Talks about fairness and rights
- Shows what's good for the community
- Discusses helping others

#### Example:

 An article about rescuing homeless pets.



#### ETHICAL REASONING IN STORIES

- Shows moral decisions
- Helps teach life lessons
- Makes you think about right and wrong

#### Example:

 A story about a student standing up to a bully.



# Putting it TOGETHER



- News = + + + 4 (but starts with facts)
- Stories = ♥ + ♠ + ♠ (focus on feelings)
- Look for facts, feelings, and fairness in everything you read!



