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## Argumentative Blanks

**Directions:** Read the argumentative paragraph. Choose the best word from the word bank to complete each blank. Each word should be used once.

evidence  
justify  
counterargument

maintain  
advocate  
policy

significant  
therefore

Schools should allow students limited access to personal devices during independent work time. Many teachers \_\_\_\_\_ that phones are only distractions; however, this \_\_\_\_\_ ignores how often students already use technology responsibly for research and organization. Recent surveys and classroom studies provide clear \_\_\_\_\_ that structured phone use can improve time management and note taking skills. These findings are \_\_\_\_\_ because they show improvement without lowering academic expectations. To \_\_\_\_\_ this position, schools can set clear guidelines that define when and how devices may be used. If students break the rules, the existing \_\_\_\_\_ can limit or remove access. Teachers can \_\_\_\_\_ high academic standards while still adapting to modern learning tools; \_\_\_\_\_, allowing controlled device use supports both responsibility and achievement.

### Short Reflection

1. Which word in the paragraph introduces an opposing viewpoint?

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2. Which word signals a conclusion based on reasoning?

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