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## Argumentative Blanks Answer Key

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| 1. advocate        | 5. justify   |
| 2. counterargument | 6. policy    |
| 3. evidence        | 7. maintain  |
| 4. significant     | 8. therefore |

### Short Reflection

1. counterargument
2. therefore

### Teacher's Guide

- Using this worksheet
  - Review each word in the word bank aloud before students begin.
  - Remind students to reread the entire paragraph after filling in all blanks to check for flow and meaning.
- Differentiation
  - Support: Allow students to eliminate two choices per blank by identifying parts of speech or signal words.
  - Challenge: Have students label each sentence as claim, reason, evidence, or conclusion.
- Engagement
  - Pair students to justify one blank choice aloud using context clues from the paragraph.
  - Conduct a quick class check where students explain which word was hardest to place and why.
- Extension ideas
  - Ask students to add one more sentence to the paragraph using an additional academic transition word.
  - Connect to writing by having students highlight where the argument presents a claim, evidence, and reasoning.