Reader Confidence in Your Argument

Setup One: Argumentative Paper Structure

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** The purple dotted line is not a ‘writing’ line. Instead, it is used to demonstrate how you can take the end of each point’s argument—after you’ve addressed your own side, the counterargument, and the rebuttal to the counterargument—and combine them at the end, bringing all of your argument together in the conclusion section and making it exceptionally strong. This combining starts at the purple star.
Setup Three: Opinion-Oriented Paper Structure

- The “path” of your argument:
  - Introduction
  - Background Information
  - Side 1
  - Side 2

- Make your argument—where do you fall on the spectrum of the issue? Side 1? Side 2? Somewhere in between?

- Conclusion

Stars: A transition; end the previous section of paper and move into a new one.