

# Everything's an Argument

Ch.8 – Arguments of Fact

Ch.9 – Arguments of Definition

Facts become arguments when they are controversial or challenge conventional beliefs.

## Ch.8 - Arguments of Fact

- Observation
  - Identify an Issue
- Hypotheses
  - Research
    - Use Primary Sources
  - Refine your Claim
- Development
  - Choose Evidence
  - Present Evidence
  - Use Visuals and Design

*\*Evidence is KEY.*

Arguments of definition dispute what someone or something is or can be.

## Ch.9 - Arguments of Definition

- **Formal Definitions** place terms in a class (genus) and identify features and criteria (species), like those found in dictionaries.
- **Operational Definitions** identify objects or ideas by what they do or by what conditions create them
- **Definitions by Example** define a class by listing individual members
- **Negative Definitions** define something by what it is not
- Formulate Claim
- Craft Definition
- Match Claim to Definition
  - Clear example of a class defined
  - Clearly falls outside of defined class
  - Falls between two closely related classes or fulfills some conditions of the defined class but not others
  - Defines existing classes and categories and requires an entirely new definition
- Consider Design & Visuals