



SMART JUNIORS 3

Appreciating Different Personalities

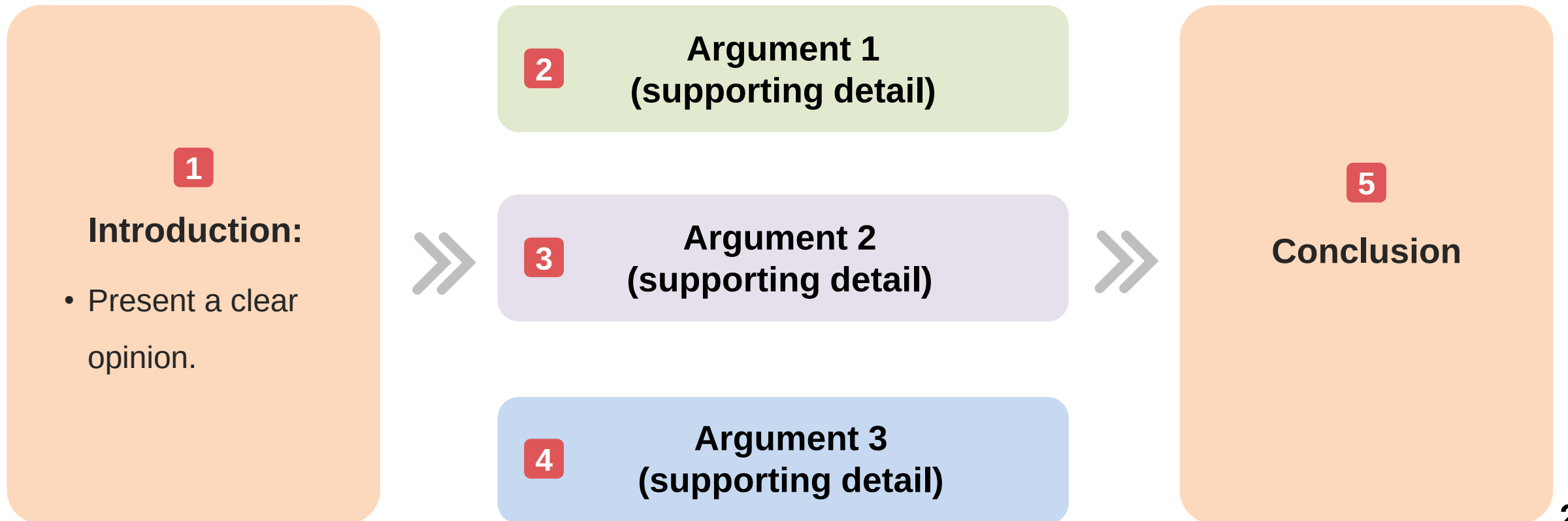
Lesson 10 Writing Skills





An Essay Asking For Your Opinion

If you're required to write an essay asking for your opinion on a particular topic, the following writing structure might help you:



Now we're going to listen to a model essay. Can you find the five parts?



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Find the five parts in the text and match the labels to each.

Introduction

Argument 1

Argument 2

Argument 3

Conclusion

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Introduction

Read the **Introduction** and answer:

1. Which part presents a clear opinion about the topic?
2. What words express the author's opinion?

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2. What are the supporting details?

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Argument 3

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Conclusion

Read the **Conclusion** and answer.

1. What is the conclusion?

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WRITING TIPS

Writing Tip 1:

Start with a clear opinion about the topic.

Writing Tip 2:

Present 3 arguments to support your opinion.

Writing Tip 3:

Give supporting details for each argument.

Writing Tip 4:

End with a clear conclusion.

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KEY LANGUAGE

1

In my opinion, ...

2

Firstly, ...

3

In addition, ...

4

Finally, ...

5

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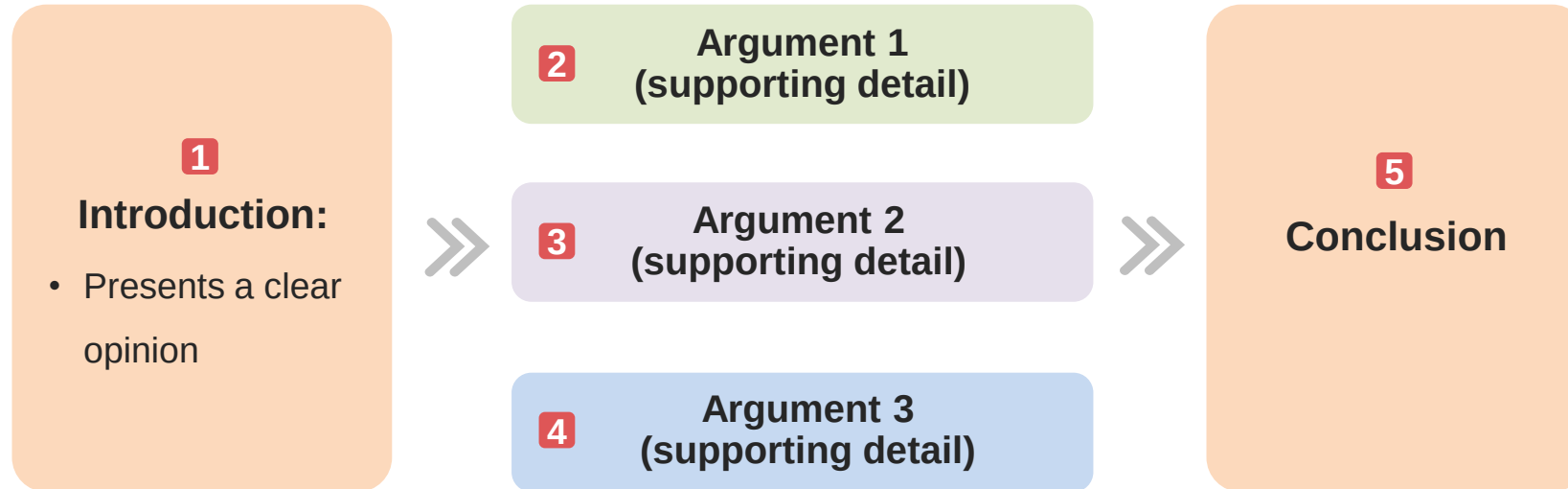
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- Use this structure to write an essay asking for your opinion on a particular topic.



- Here are some good expressions and linking phrases for an opinion essay writing.

1 In my opinion, ...

2 Firstly, ...

3 In addition, ...

4 Finally, ...

5 In brief, ...



A busy city street scene with a yellow overlay. The text 'WHAT'S NEXT?' is written in large, white, bold letters with a brown outline. The background shows a crowd of people walking on a crosswalk. There are several decorative circles in blue and orange scattered across the image.

WHAT'S NEXT?

In the next lesson, we're going to use the structure we learned today to practice a writing task!

See you next time!