

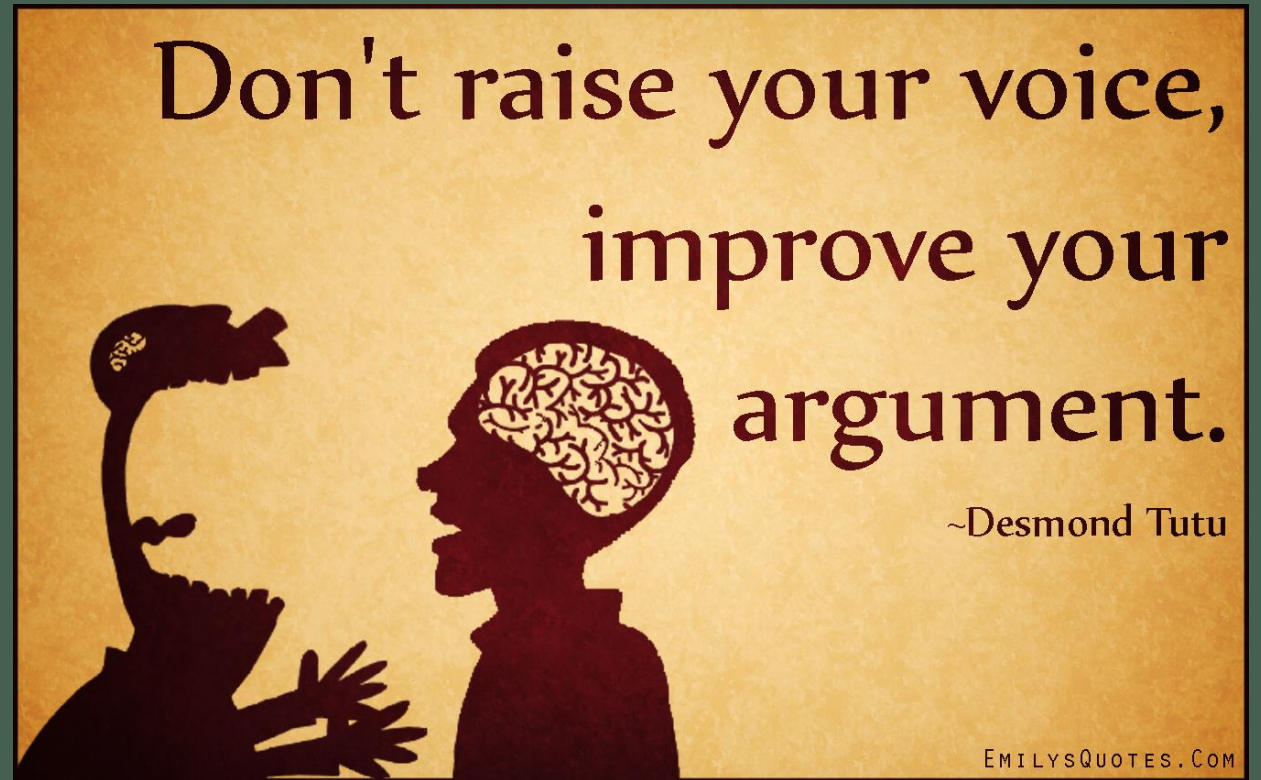


# ARGUMENTS

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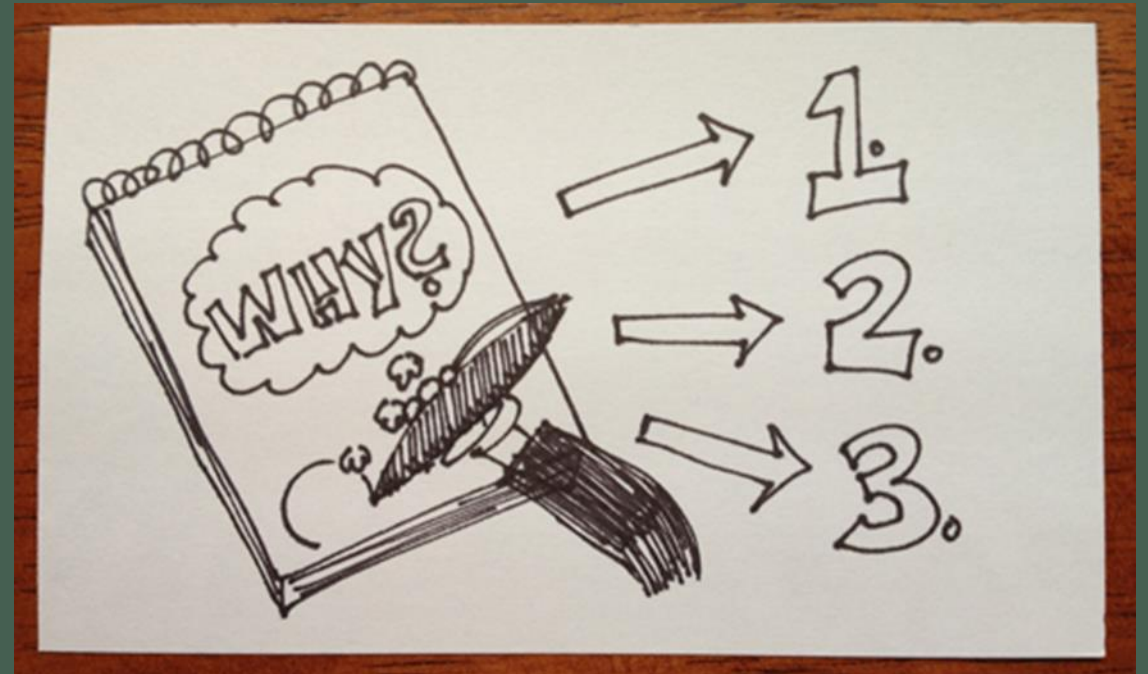
# What is an Argument?

- People express their ideas, points of view, perspectives and conclusions through arguments.
- Arguments use reasons and evidence to convey that perspective, point of view, or some version of the truth that is stated or implied in the thesis and/or conclusion.



# Reasons and Claims

- Arguments are supported and unified by carefully chosen and connected claims, reasons, and evidence.
- An argument may acknowledge other arguments and/or respond to them with counterarguments.





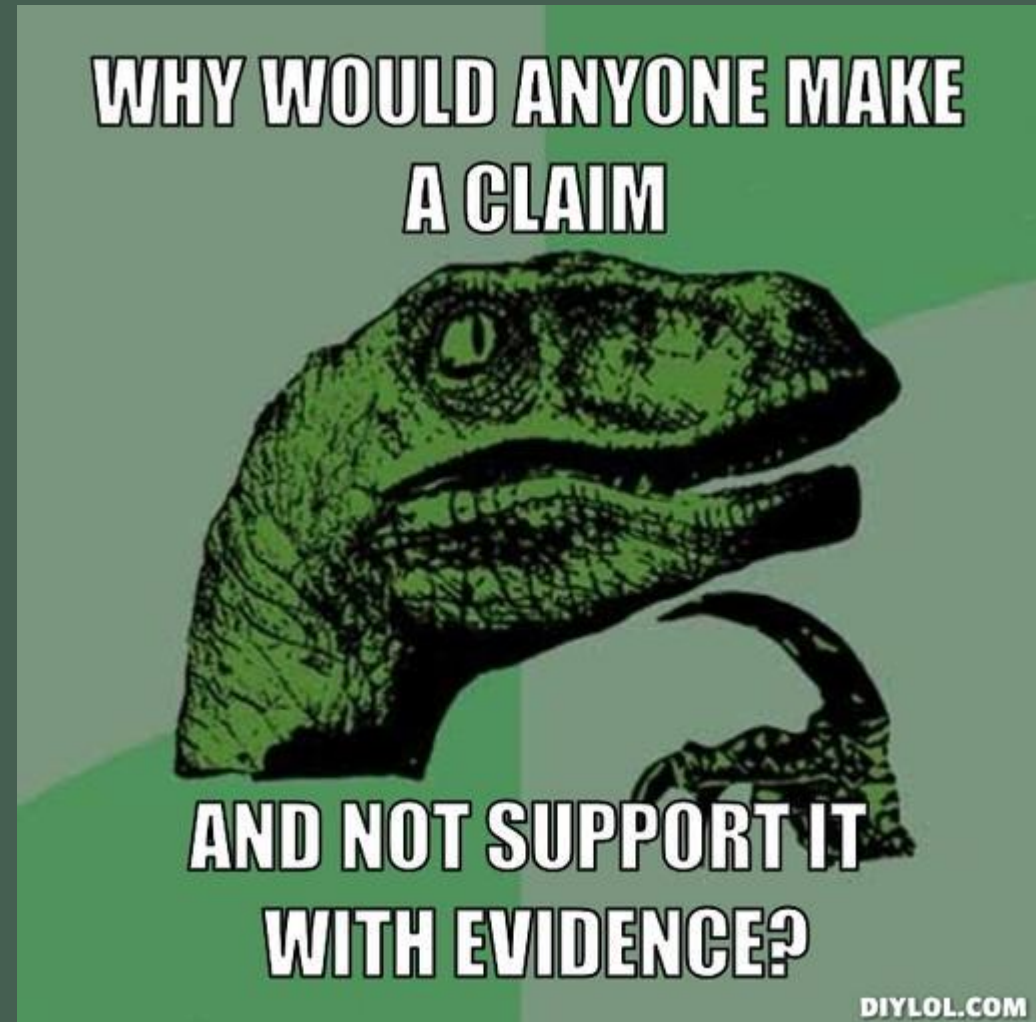
# Line of Reasoning

- The line of reasoning is a clear, logical, sequential path leading the audience through the reasons toward the conclusion.
- It is organized based on the argument's purpose.



# Evidence

- Compelling evidence is used to support the claims and reasoning of an argument.
- Evidence should be sufficient, typical, relevant, current, and credible to support the conclusion.



Main Idea, Conclusion or Thesis

Claim

Evidence

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