

Ling 281: Project #1

An Account of an Argument

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This paper asks you to identify an argument's claim and reason. You will also need to explain the general context for the argument, the author's purpose and audience and how you have been able to determine the context/audience/purpose based on clues from inside and outside of the text. It also asks you to describe the author's (4) supporting evidence and (5) overall structure, and finally, evaluate the argument in terms of its purpose and audience.

Criteria	Points (out of 5)	Comments
An introductory section that provides all the information the audience will need to understand your argument. This includes the topic of the writing project and <u>your</u> argument claim and reason about the author's use of evidence and organization.	2	Missing your claim
A statement of the claim/reason of "One Nation, Out of Many."	4	good
A discussion of the general context, author's purpose and author's audience, supported by evidence from inside or outside of the text	2	Missing

A description and evaluation of supporting <u>evidence 1</u> .	4	- good start further develop
A description and evaluation of supporting <u>evidence 2</u> .	4	- add more about <u>why</u> this evidence is effective for his audience / purpose
A description and evaluation of the <u>organizing structure</u> .	4	- further develop with more details and evaluation
A conclusion that clarifies whether you believe the author has written an effective argument based on the evidence and organization he chose to convince his audience of his purpose.	4	further develop based on his purpose / audience, <u>why</u> was his argument effective

Point Scale

- 5 -Excellent -meets the requirement of the prompt and is developed in a thoughtful manner
- 4- Proficient -adequately addresses prompt
- 3- Developing-good start, but not fully developed
- 2/1-Insufficient or missing