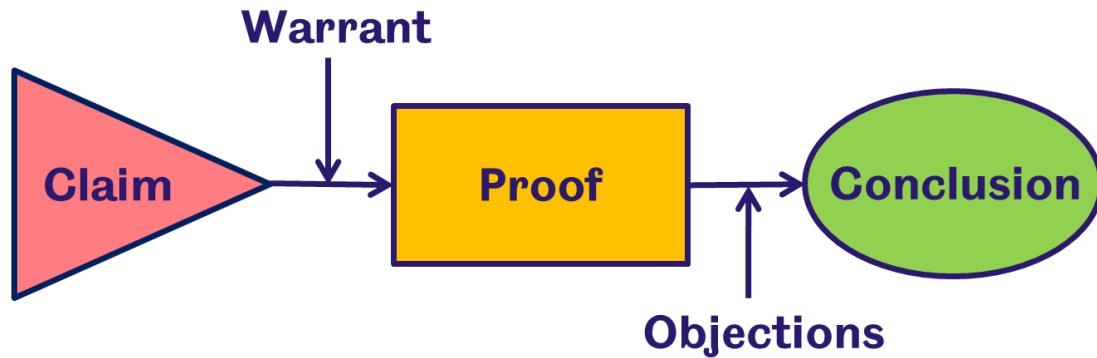


Building Blocks of an Argument



When developing your argument, you might want to check that you have considered the following key elements:



Element	Your argument
Claim A contentious statement or hypothesis that you wish to prove.	
Proof Data, evidence (primary or secondary sources) or information to support your claim.	
Warrant Convince your audience that the connection between your claim and evidence is valid. Watch out for logical fallacies!	
Objections Anticipate potential objections, counter-arguments or alternative points of view.	
Conclusion Having considered the evidence and counter arguments, how strong is your claim? Can you make any recommendations, predictions or suggest openings for further research?	