| Argument Progression | K | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
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| State reasons or facts to support an opinion | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| State an opinion | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Introduce the topic | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Ending/Closure | | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Use linking words | | | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Use organizational structure | | | | X | X | X | X | X |
| Use transition words and phrases | | | | X | X | X | X | X |
| State topic clearly using information | | | | | X | X | X | X |
| Group together related ideas | | | | | X | X | X | X |
| Provide logically ordered reasons | | | | | | X | X | X |
| Use linking clauses | | | | | | X | X | X |
| Acknolwedge alternate or opposing claims | | | | | | | | X |