

Understanding Counterarguments

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Reviewing Key Concepts from Opinion Writing

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Answer the following questions based on what you've learned about counterarguments and respectful communication.

1. What is a counterargument?

2. What does Proverbs 15:1 teach us about communication?

- A. Being loud is important
- B. Harsh words help us win arguments
- C. Gentle answers can help avoid anger

3. Kindness is not important when discussing different viewpoints.

- True False

4. To strengthen my argument, I should acknowledge the other view, explain why my view is stronger, and use ____ language.

5. Why is it important to understand different perspectives?

6. Which of the following is a step in addressing counterarguments?

- A. Ignore the other view
- B. Acknowledge the other view
- C. Shout louder than the other person

7. Listening to others can help us understand their viewpoints better.

- True False

8. How can we disagree nicely according to the lesson?

9. A gentle answer turns away ____, but harsh words stir up anger.

10. What is one benefit of using kind language in discussions?

- A. It helps us win arguments
- B. It makes others feel respected
- C. It allows us to ignore others' opinions

Answer Key

1. A counterargument is an opposing viewpoint or idea that challenges my argument. It shows that there are different opinions on a topic. 2. Gentle answers can help avoid anger 3. False 4. kind and respectful 5. Understanding different perspectives helps us to listen better and communicate respectfully. It allows for more thoughtful discussions. 6. Acknowledge the other view 7. True 8. We can disagree nicely by using kind words, listening to the other person's opinion, and showing respect even if we don't agree. 9. wrath 10. It makes others feel respected

