Writing to discuss (UKS2)

Text Types

- Balanced argument
- Newspaper article
- Review

Text Features

- Appropriate use of cohesive devices
- Use of subjunctive form where needed

E.g. "If I were.."

"Were they to.."

Language for debate
 E.g. It could be argued..
 Some might say..

Other Style Ideas

- Use paragraphs to structure arguments
- Maintain formal / impersonal tone

Grammar and Sentences

- Use modal verbs to convey degrees of probability,
 It <u>could</u> be argued... Some <u>might</u> say...
- Use relative clauses to provide supporting detail
 The rainforest, which covers almost a third of South America...
- Use a range of adverbials (time, place, number) to provide cohesion across the text,

<u>Despite</u> its flaws... <u>On the other hand</u>...

• Use **expanded noun phrases** to describe in detail

The dramatic performance by the amateur group was...

Begin to use passive voice to maintain impersonal tone,
 The film was made using CGI graphics

Adverbials

Firstly Furthermore In addition However Nevertheless Therefore Consequently In conclusion

Conjunctions

if because although unless since even if rather whereas in order to whenever whether

Punctuation Content

 Use brackets or dashes for parenthesis, including for emphasis

This performance—the first by such a young gymnast—was a masterpiece!

- Use **semi-colons** for to mark related clauses, Some argue ... ; others say...
- Use commas to mark relative clauses, clarify meaning and avoid ambiguity
- Use colons and semi-colons to punctuate complex lists
- Use bullet points

