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Credibility Activity: Word Clusters

Task: Find jargon to use in argument-writing to increase your credibility.

Instructions:

1. Find an article or two on the same topic about which you are writing your argument. (Note: These do not necessarily need to be WAGOLLs that represent the same kind of writing you will be doing. This time, we are looking at the content of the article instead of the writing craft.)
2. Read each article and keep a list of topic-specific words you find there.

Topic-Specific Words from Articles

3. Now, read through your draft. If you have already used a word from the list in your draft, check it off! If you haven't yet, consider: is there a place I could use this word so that I am increasingly using the specific language of this topic?

Adapted from *Beyond Literary Analysis* (Marchetti + O'Dell, 2018)

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