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## **Data Description**

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The dataset contains argumentative essays written by U.S students in grades 6-12. The essays were annotated by expert raters for elements commonly found in argumentative writing.

Note that this is a code competition, in which you will submit code that will be run against an unseen test set. The unseen test set is approximately 10k documents. A small public test sample has been provided for testing your notebooks.

Your task is to predict the human annotations. You will first need to segment each essay into discrete rhetorical and argumentative elements (i.e., discourse elements) and then classify each element as one of the following:

- Lead an introduction that begins with a statistic, a quotation, a description, or some other device to grab the reader's attention and point toward the thesis
- Position an opinion or conclusion on the main question

