Argument Observation Tool

Child's Name:	

	Yes, date observed and notes	Not Yet, notes and next steps		
Structure				
Thesis: states what the writer is trying to convince the audience to do; appeals to the audience				
Reasons: support the thesis; are varied (two or more reasons); appeal to the audience				
Reinforcement of the Thesis: repeats the thesis in a new way; appeals to the audience				

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Language				
Adjectives: positive and/or negative adjectives are used to strengthen the argument				
Medium: Letter				
Organization: includes all parts of a letter:				
Conventions: List 1-2 areas of instruction that would most greatly improve the child's ability to communicate with an audience, for example: encoding sounds, writing high-frequency words, putting spaces between words, using punctuation.				

