Here is a sample Toulmin argumentation. The example provided will relatively help you get a clearer understanding of how this technique works.

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