

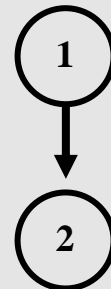
Summary: Argument Mapping Principles

1. Number each premise and conclusion. This includes each sub-conclusion – so the two **parts a combo sentence receive different numbers**.

2. When one sentence supports a second sentence (as shown by markers), draw a **downward arrow from premise number to conclusion number**.

1. Premise

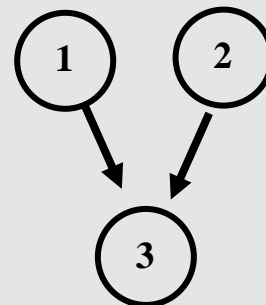
∴ 2. Conclusion



If **two or more sentences** act as premises for the same conclusion, draw an **arrow from each** premise number to the conclusion number.

1. Premise
2. Premise

∴ 3. Conclusion



3. Identify the **main conclusion** using markers and likely places. The main conclusion is noted in the diagram with the **conclusion symbol** “∴”.

4. Apply the *No Useless Sentences Principle* to close any **remaining gaps**: any sentence (other than the main conclusion) not yet supporting anything should be marked (with an arrow) as supporting the main conclusion.