## DC English IV Composition & Rhetoric

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## Rogerian Discussion

## The Rogerian Model

- its methods are not confrontational; authors do not have an opponent, authors have an audience seeking resolutions and compromise
- in addition, authors are not constructing an opinionated, true argument, rather authors are establishing an open discussion seeking agreement
- this model builds bridges between two parties

1. the author acts as a mediator rather than combatant

2. the discussion is not a contest

3. the discussion aims for compromise between two opposing views

• most importantly, the author seeks validity in the audience's views; heavy research is necessary to represent views of both sides

