Expressing Your Opinion

Sentence Starters

* I would argue that football is the Number 1 sport in the world.
* It seems clear that the Moroccan economy is improving.
* In my opinion, Oum Khaltoum was the greatest Arab singer in history.
* Based on these facts, the new TGV train from Tangier to Casa is an important step in the future of transportation in Morocco.
* Because Spain and Morocco share a common history, it is natural that the two countries should work together.
* This is important for two reasons. First, an educated workforce is important for economic growth. Second, …

Ways to Counter-argue

* Although Casablanca is Morocco’s largest city, it is not the center of Moroccan cultural life.
* Even though it seems that Cristiano Ronaldo is the world’s greatest football player, I prefer to watch Messi play, for two reasons.
* One might argue that Marrakech is Morocco’s most beautiful city; however, I prefer the quiet charm of Rabat.
* It might seem that Ahmed Chawki is Morocco’s most successful singer; however, much of his fame is due to support from international producers.
* There are many reasons why Chefchaouen may be the most beautiful small town in Morocco, but my favorite is its blue-and-white buildings.

NOTE: When you express your opinion in English, it is important to use modal verbs (can, may, could, should, would) and qualifiers (perhaps; it seems) to avoid over-stating your claims.