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| Task 1  This speech was delivered by Suluafi Brianna Fruean to the United Nations Convention on Climate Change. Suluafi is a climate change activist from the Pacific Island of Samoa. | Identify the persuasive methods used and annotate below. |
| When I was a little girl I was taught the importance and impact of words. In my culture there is a proverb that goes, “e pale ma’a ae lē pala upu”. It means that even stones decay, but words remain.  A lesson in knowing how words can be wielded.  How text can change everything. How each word you use is weighted. How  switching 1 word or number can reframe worlds. How “climate action” can be vastly different from “climate justice”. How 2 degrees could mean “the end” and 1.5 could mean “a fighting chance”.  You all have the power here today to be better. To remember that your meeting rooms and drafting documents are not just black and white objects. To remember that in your words, you wield the weapons that can save us or sell us out.  I don’t need to remind you of the reality of our vulnerable communities. If you’re in this room you know what climate change is doing to us. You don’t need my pain or tears to know that we’re in a crisis.  The real question is whether you have the political will to do the right thing, to wield the right words and follow it up with long overdue action.  If you’re looking for inspiration on climate leadership, take a look at young Pacific people. We are not just victims to this crisis, we have been resilient beacons of hope.  As Pacific youth we have always rallied behind the warrior cry “we are not drowning, we are fighting”.  This is my message from Earth to COP.  I hope you remember my words, because  “e pala ma’a ae le pala upu”.  Thank you. |  |

Direct address Repetition Antithesis Hyperbole

Alliteration Emotive language Anaphora Anecdote Collective pronouns

Task 2

Underline the parts of the sentence where you think the author is trying to be persuasive.

How can you allow these poor, desperate people to go without food for any longer?

Their team is disorganised, unmotivated and unprepared.

If you love theme parks as much as we do, we know you’ll have the time of your life here at Dizzyworld – you’ll never want to leave.

Task 3

"The subjects studied in classrooms have not changed since the 1970s. New subjects need to be introduced to reflect the change in society."

Write a letter to the headteacher of your school expressing your point of view on this statement.