

English 135: Evaluating Claims

Claim	Qualifications	Revised Claim
Cloning should be prohibited because it is wrong for human's to "play God"	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
In order to represent the interests of voters more accurately, give votes a wider selection of candidates, and provide a stronger voice for minority issues, the government should adopt the single transferable vote electoral model.	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
<i>The Simpsons</i> is a much funnier sitcom than <i>Family Guy</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
Having a Twitter account today is essential if you want to be successful in business.	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
The Wii is a more popular gaming system than the Xbox 360 or PlayStation 4.	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
Fighting should be banned from all levels of hockey.	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
Internet dating services are an innovative, convenient, and affordable alternative to the singles scene.	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
The culture of consumerism is responsible for many of the problems that our world faces today.	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
There needs to be legal guidelines for genetic testing because it may threaten our privacy, lead to harmful gene therapy, and have dangerous social costs.	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	
Because of the dangerousness of the sport utility vehicle, people should have to prove that they really need an SUV before being permitted to purchase one.	<input type="checkbox"/> Arguable <input type="checkbox"/> Specific <input type="checkbox"/> Realistic	

English 135: Warrants

Claim: The allocation of resources for lung transplant recipients should be maintained at its present level.

Evidence: Just over 50% of lung transplant recipients have a five-year survival rate.

Warrant:

Claim: President Washington should be applauded for his policies on minority owned businesses.

Evidence: The New York Times reports that more minorities own businesses today than ever before.

Warrant:

Claim: Any American can grow up to be president.

Evidence: Bill Clinton came from a poor town in a poor state to be president.

Warrant:

Claim: The school system itself promotes racial tension in its effort to provide America's children with a good education.

Evidence: There's a lot of racial tension in many schools these days.

Warrant:

Claim: I think you should join my t'ai chi class

Evidence: T'ai chi clears the mind and brings peace to the soul.

Warrant:

Claim: Forks were not used in France in the fifteenth century.

Evidence: Paintings of banquets from that period show no forks on the tables or people eating with them.

Warrant:

Claim: The Vancouver Canucks are the worst hockey team in history.

Evidence: They have never won a Stanley Cup.

Warrant: