

	<b>4 Points</b>	<b>3 Points</b>	<b>2 Points</b>	<b>1 Points</b>	<b>0 Points</b>
<p><b>CLAIM</b> The writer makes a statement or conclusion that answers the original question or problem with accurate use of content vocabulary.</p>	<p><b>Compelling Claim</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Claim is clear and scientifically sound</li> <li>▪ Directly related to the question</li> <li>▪ Includes accurate use of <u>all</u> relevant content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Credible Claim</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Claim is clear and scientifically sound</li> <li>▪ Closely related to the question</li> <li>▪ Includes accurate use of <u>most</u> relevant content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Weak Claim</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Claim is implied but not clearly stated</li> <li>▪ Claim reveals partial understanding</li> <li>▪ Has some relevance to the question</li> <li>▪ <u>Partly</u> accurate use of <u>some</u> content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Inadequate Claim</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ An attempt at a claim is made</li> <li>▪ Claim is minimally accurate</li> <li>▪ <u>Minimal</u> use of content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Invalid Claim</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No identifiable statement of claim.</li> <li>▪ Inaccurate or no use of content vocabulary</li> </ul>
<p><b>EVIDENCE</b> The writer supports the claim with relevant evidence, using credible sources, content vocabulary and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or context.</p>	<p><b>Appropriate &amp; Sufficient Evidence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Evidence is appropriate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accurate (in relation to the content) <b>AND</b></li> <li>○ Selective (using the most relevant and most accurate data to support the claim)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Evidence is sufficient</li> <li>▪ Includes accurate use of <u>all</u> relevant content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Appropriate Evidence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Evidence is appropriate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accurate (in relation to the content) <b>AND</b></li> <li>○ Selective (using the most relevant and most accurate data to support the claim)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Evidence may be sufficient</li> <li>▪ Includes accurate use of <u>most</u> relevant content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Relevant Evidence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Evidence is accurate and relevant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accurate (in relation to the content) <b>AND</b></li> <li>○ Relevant (related to the claim), <b>NOT</b></li> <li>○ Selective (using the most relevant and most accurate data to support the claim)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Evidence may be sufficient</li> <li>▪ Includes <u>partly</u> accurate use of <u>some</u> content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Inadequate Evidence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Evidence is accurate or relevant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accurate (in relation to the content) <b>OR</b></li> <li>○ Relevant (related to the claim), <b>NOT</b></li> <li>○ Selective (using the most relevant and most accurate data to support the claim)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Evidence is not sufficient</li> <li>▪ <u>Minimal</u> use of content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Invalid Evidence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Evidence is not appropriate</li> <li>▪ Inaccurate or no use of content vocabulary</li> </ul>

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<p><b>REASONING</b> It shows why the data and information counts as evidence by using appropriate (accurate and selective) and sufficient scientific principles. The writer also includes content vocabulary in the response.</p>	<p><b>Appropriate &amp; Sufficient Reasoning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reasoning uses scientific principles that are appropriate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accurate (in relation to the content) <b>AND</b></li> <li>○ Selective (using the most relevant and most accurate data to support the claim)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Explicit reasoning is provided that links <u>all</u> evidence to the claim.</li> <li>▪ Reasoning is sufficient</li> <li>▪ Easy to follow</li> <li>▪ Uses and defines <u>all</u> relevant content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Appropriate Reasoning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reasoning uses scientific principles that are appropriate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accurate (in relation to the content) <b>AND</b></li> <li>○ Selective (using the most relevant and most accurate data to support the claim)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Explicit reasoning is provided that links <u>most</u> evidence to the claim</li> <li>▪ Reasoning may be sufficient</li> <li>▪ Fairly easy to follow</li> <li>▪ Uses and defines <u>most</u> relevant content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Relevant Reasoning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reasoning uses scientific principles that are accurate and relevant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accurate (in relation to the content) <b>AND</b></li> <li>○ Relevant (related to the claim), <b>NOT</b></li> <li>○ Selective (using the most relevant and most accurate data to support the claim)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Explicit reasoning is provided that links <u>some</u> evidence to the claim</li> <li>▪ Reasoning may be sufficient</li> <li>▪ Demonstrates some clarity</li> <li>▪ Uses and defines <u>some</u> relevant content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Inadequate Reasoning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reasoning uses scientific principles that are accurate or relevant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accurate (in relation to the content) <b>OR</b></li> <li>○ Relevant (related to the claim), <b>NOT</b></li> <li>○ Selective (using the most relevant and most accurate data to support the claim)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Reasoning <u>loosely</u> links evidence to the claim</li> <li>▪ Reasoning is not sufficient</li> <li>▪ Demonstrates some clarity</li> <li>▪ Uses <u>some</u> relevant content vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p><b>Invalid Reasoning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ There is no reasoning</li> <li>▪ Inaccurate or no use of content vocabulary</li> </ul>
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