

Chapter Breather 2 FAST 2 QUESTION STEM QUIZ

If you want to get faster at LR, identifying the question stem more quickly is an easy way to shave 30 seconds off your time. That’s why I’m uploading a bonus question stem quiz solely focused on timing.

Before you take this quiz, study The Fast and The Question Stem Quiz from *The Loophole in LSAT Logical Reasoning* and review your weaker areas. Obviously, you’re going to know the question stem when it’s something like “Which of the following weakens the argument?” But you should make sure you know the more complex stems before you take this quiz. This quiz is timed (*gasp*).



Another question stem quiz, another forced reference to *The Fast and the Furious*. I am nothing if not consistent.

INSTRUCTIONS

Start a stopwatch and then **identify each of the following question stems out loud; say whether it’s powerful or provable out loud as well. Do not write down the question type and whether it’s powerful or provable on your first pass.** The goal is to see how fast you can identify the question stems. If we factor in how long it takes you to write out names, it screws up the data. After you’ve finished your **out loud** identification, stop the stopwatch. Write in your answers so you can check them.

For example, if I read, “Which of the following weakens the argument?” I would say, “Weaken Powerful” out loud and then move on to the next question stem. After finishing the entire drill and stopping the stopwatch, I would write all the identifications in the blanks so I can check my accuracy.

	QUESTION STEM	QUESTION TYPE	POWERFUL/PROVABLE
1.	Which one of the following, if true, most tends to undermine the argument?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
2.	Which one of the following is an assumption that would allow the conclusion above to be properly drawn?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
3.	The scholar’s reasoning is flawed because the scholar presumes without giving sufficient justification that	_____	Powerful or Provable?
4.	Which one of the following is an assumption on which the argument depends?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
5.	Which one of the following, if true, is the strongest counter Maxwell can make to Betsey’s objection?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
6.	Which one of the following would it be most helpful to know in order to judge whether what the scientist subsequently learned calls into question the hypothesis?	_____	Powerful or Provable?

	QUESTION STEM	QUESTION TYPE	POWERFUL/PROVABLE
7.	Which one of the following is most appropriate as an analogy demonstrating that the reasoning in the argument above is flawed?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
8.	Scott responds to Patrick's argument by	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
9.	Which one of the following propositions is best illustrated by the situation described in the passage?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
10.	The statement that the law should require explicit safety labels on toys serves which one of the following functions in the consumer advocate's argument?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
11.	The argument's conclusion can be properly drawn if which one of the following is assumed?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
12.	Which one of the following principles, if valid, most strongly supports the reasoning above?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
13.	The pattern of reasoning in the argument above is most closely paralleled in which one of the following?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
14.	Of the following, which one most accurately describes Gamba's strategy of argumentation?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
15.	The reasoning in the argument is most vulnerable to criticism on the grounds that the argument	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
16.	If the statements above are true, which one of the following is an inference that can be properly drawn on the basis of them?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
17.	If Lela and Francis are both sincere in what they say, then it can be properly concluded that they agree that	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?
18.	Which one of the following is an assumption on which the argument relies?	<hr/>	Powerful or Provable?

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19.	Which one of the following is the point at issue between Bella and Sabina?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
20.	If the statements above are true, then on the basis of them which one of the following CANNOT be true	_____	Powerful or Provable?
21.	Which one of the following statements follows logically from the statements above?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
22.	Which one of the following is an assumption required by the argument?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
23.	Which one of the following most accurately expresses the overall conclusion drawn in the argument?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
24.	The statements above, if true, most strongly support which one of the following?	_____	Powerful or Provable?
25.	Which one of the following, if true, most helps to resolve the apparent discrepancy in the information above?	_____	Powerful or Provable?

Your Time: _____

Just so you can judge how fast/slow you were, I had a few people time their 2 Fast 2 Question Stem Quizzes to give you a baseline:

My time	1:20
My star student/savior's time	1:26
Experienced student who needs to study question stems	2:33
Beginner student who really needs to study question stems	4:02

The craziest part of this is that the students taking 2+ minutes to identify the question stems are likely not identifying the question stem at all when they do timed sections. This is an easy problem to fix! Memorize your question stems.

2 Fast 2 Question Stem ANSWER KEY

	QUESTION STEM	QUESTION TYPE	POWERFUL/PROVABLE
1.	Which one of the following, if true, most tends to undermine the argument?	Weaken	Powerful
2.	Which one of the following is an assumption that would allow the conclusion above to be properly drawn?	Sufficient Assumption	Powerful
3.	The scholar's reasoning is flawed because the scholar presumes without giving sufficient justification that	Loophole Flaw	Provable
4.	Which one of the following is an assumption on which the argument depends?	Necessary Assumption	Provable
5.	Which one of the following, if true, is the strongest counter Maxwell can make to Betsey's objection?	Counter	Powerful
6.	Which one of the following would it be most helpful to know in order to judge whether what the scientist subsequently learned calls into question the hypothesis?	Evaluate	Powerful
7.	Which one of the following is most appropriate as an analogy demonstrating that the reasoning in the argument above is flawed?	Parallel Flaw	Provable
8.	Scott responds to Patrick's argument by	Method	Provable
9.	Which one of the following propositions is best illustrated by the situation described in the passage?	Principle Conform	Provable
10.	The statement that the law should require explicit safety labels on toys serves which one of the following functions in the consumer advocate's argument?	Argument Part	Provable
11.	The argument's conclusion can be properly drawn if which one of the following is assumed?	Sufficient Assumption	Powerful
12.	Which one of the following principles, if valid, most strongly supports the reasoning above?	Strengthen	Powerful

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13.	The pattern of reasoning in the argument above is most closely paralleled in which one of the following?	Parallel Reasoning	Provable
14.	Of the following, which one most accurately describes Gamba's strategy of argumentation?	Method	Provable
15.	The reasoning in the argument is most vulnerable to criticism on the grounds that the argument	Classic Flaw	Provable
16.	If the statements above are true, which one of the following is an inference that can be properly drawn on the basis of them?	Inference	Provable
17.	If Lela and Francis are both sincere in what they say, then it can be properly concluded that they agree that	Agreement	Provable
18.	Which one of the following is an assumption on which the argument relies?	Necessary Assumption	Provable
19.	Which one of the following is the point at issue between Bella and Sabina?	Controversy	Provable
20.	If the statements above are true, then on the basis of them which one of the following CANNOT be true	Contradiction	Powerful
21.	Which one of the following statements follows logically from the statements above?	Inference	Provable
22.	Which one of the following is an assumption required by the argument?	Necessary Assumption	Provable
23.	Which one of the following most accurately expresses the overall conclusion drawn in the argument?	Conclusion	Provable
24.	The statements above, if true, most strongly support which one of the following?	Most Strongly Supported	Provable
25.	Which one of the following, if true, most helps to resolve the apparent discrepancy in the information above?	Resolution	Powerful