You're learning!

Your time: 7 mins



Correct

Incorrect

Next steps

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Practice terms in Learn

Learn these terms in a different way to build knowledge.

Retest missed terms

Test yourself again on the ones you got wrong.

Your answers

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No fallacy

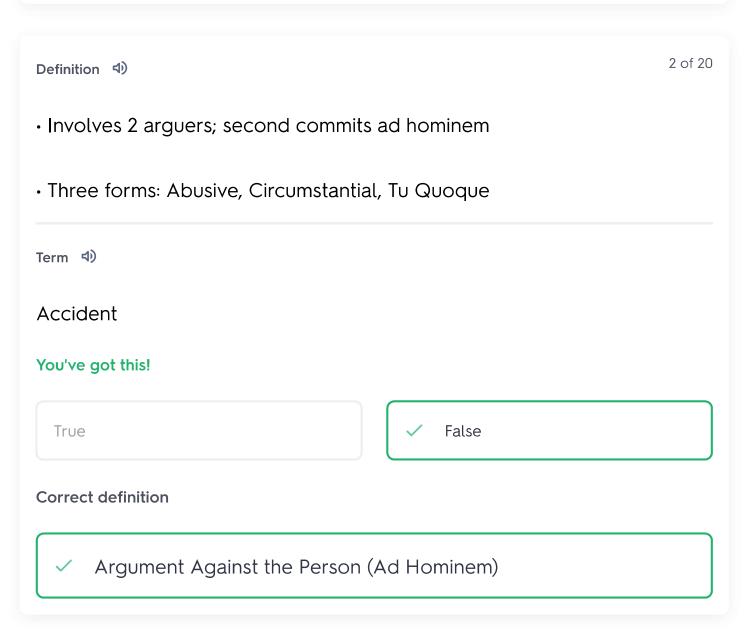
Term ◁)

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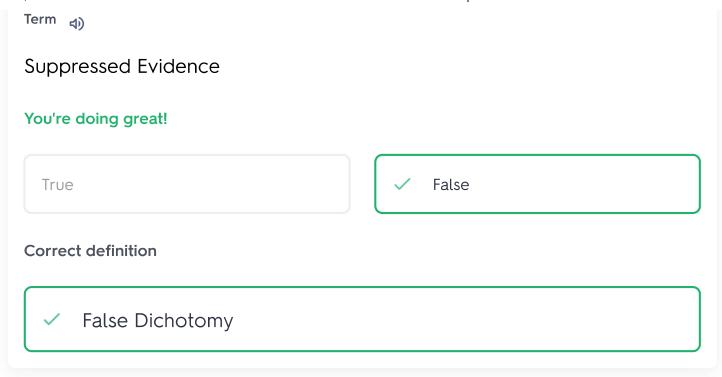
Therefore, we should not take her testimonials too seriously.

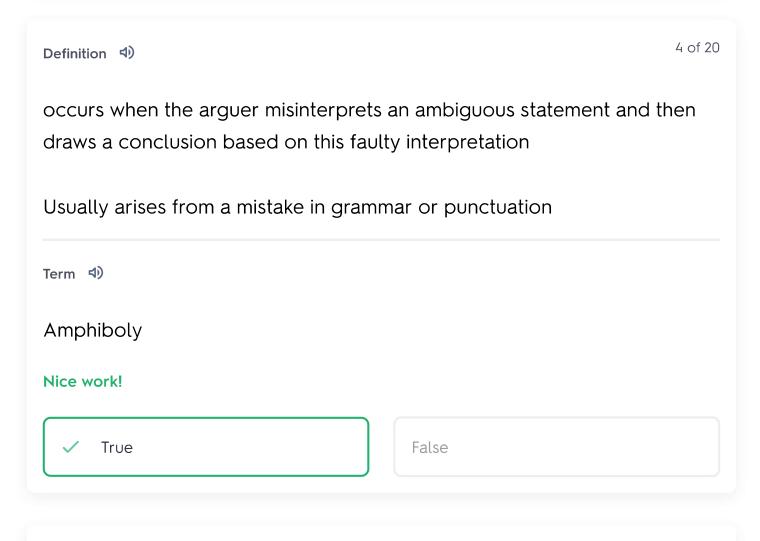
Excellent!





committed when a disjunctive ("either . . . or . . .") premise presents two unlikely alternatives as if they were the only ones available, and the arguer then eliminates the undesirable alternative, leaving the desirable one as the conclusion



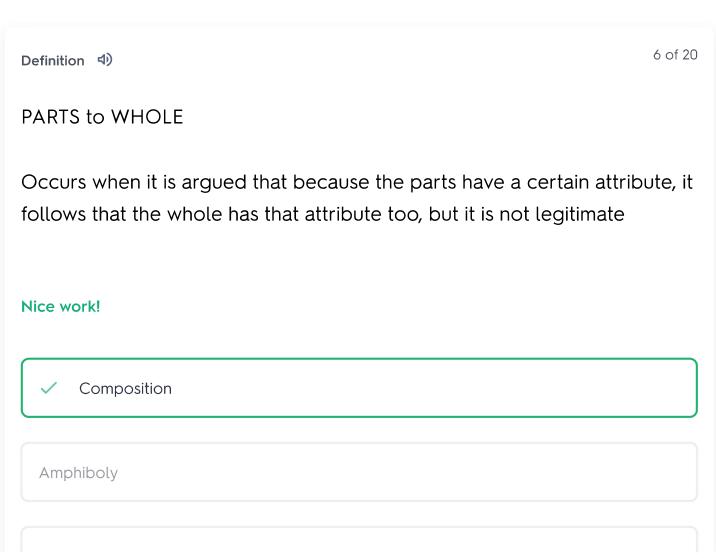


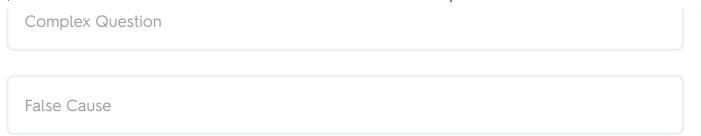
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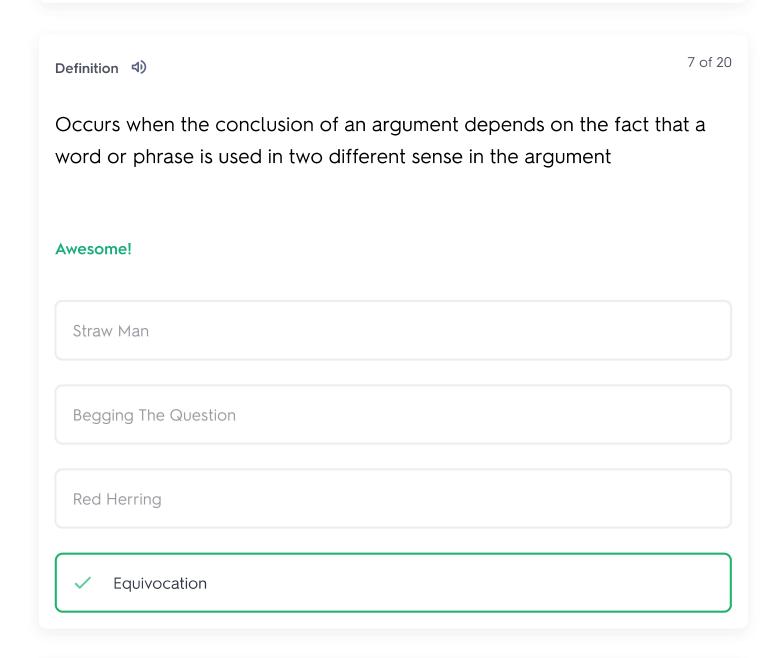
True

Ad Hominem Circumstantial Example Term ◁) Dan Marino, former quarterback for the Miami Dolphins, argues that NutriSystem is a great weight loss program. But that's exactly what you would expect, given that Marino owns stock in NutriSystem. Thus, you shouldn't take his arguments seriously. Awesome!

False







2nd person verbally abuses the first

Excellent!

Accident

Ad Hominem Circumstantial



Ad Hominem Abusive

Argument Against the Person (Ad Hominem)

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False Cause

You've got this!



A few minutes after Governor Harrison finished his speech on television, a devastating earthquake struck southern Alaska. For the safety of the people up there, it is imperative that Governor Harrison make no more speeches.

The twenty-story Carson Building is constructed of concrete blocks. Each and every concrete block in the structure can withstand an earthquake. Therefore, the building can withstand an earthquake.

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Definition ◀)

- Uses reader's desire to be loved, admired, etc. to get him to accept the conclusion
- Appeal is aimed toward INDIVIDUALS within the crowd, appealing to their desire to fit in and not be left out
- Bandwagon argument
- · Appeal to vanity
- Appeal to snobbery

You're doing great!

Appeal to the People - Direct

Appeal to Unqualified Authority

Appeal to Pity



Appeal to the People - Indirect

Matching questions

Click a term to match it with a definition

Appeal to Ignorance Example

Excellent!



No one has ever proved that the human fetus is not a person with rights. Therefore, abortion is morally wrong.

Composition Example

No worries, learning is a process!

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Equivocation Example

No sweat, you're still learning!

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Missing the Point Example

You've got this!

Tagging by graffiti artists has become a terrible problem in recent years.

Obviously our schools are stifling the creative spirit of these young people.

Amphiboly Example

You're doing great!

Mr. Wilson said that on July 4 he went out on the veranda and watched the fireworks go up in his pajamas. We conclude that Mr. Wilson must have had an exciting evening.

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- · Directly to someone you are threatening
- Involves threat of force/something bad

You're doing great!



appeal to force

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Creates the illusion that INADEQUATE PREMISES provide ADEQUATE SUPPORT for the conclusion by doing one of the following:

- · Leaving out a possibly false key premise (most common)
- Restating a possibly false premise as the conclusion
- · Reasoning in a circle

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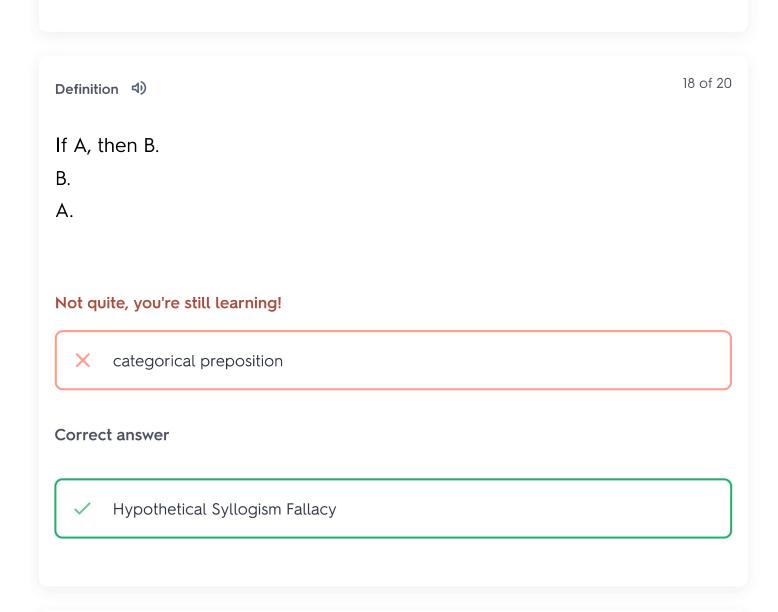


false cause

Correct answer



Begging the Question



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- Occurs when the premises state nothing has been proved one way or another about something but the conclusion makes a definite assertion
- If qualified investigators haven't proven something one way or another, it may be enough to have a strong inductive argument
- Not being able to prove guilt beyond a "reasonable doubt" in a court of law is enough to conclude "not guilty" in US courts

Nice work!



appeal to ignorance

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Committed when a general rule is applied to a specific case it was not intended to cover

Awesome!



accident