The reading passage lists three reasons to claim that pterosaurs would not be able to powered flight, while the lecturer contradicts all those theories by his perspectives.

The first point is that according to the fossil of pterosaurs, they have dense and hair-like coverage, which is the typical feature of warm-blood animals to keep their body temperature and provide enough energy needed to fly. Such feature could also helpful to pterosaurs when it comes to fly. That is to say, the claim in the reading that since pterosaurs may be cold-blooded, so that it wasn’t able to produce enough energy to fly is unconvincing.

Moreover, the claim that pterosaurs were too heavy to keep airborne is also unreasonable. Because the bones of pterosaurs were holed instead of solid, it would weight lower than expected. With lower weight, even the body is large, they could also keep themselves airborne. Thus, the professor fights against the reasons in the reading again.

Finally, the professor also represents his idea that there are important differences between birds and pterosaurs. Birds can only use their two limbs—back limbs to walk, while pterosaurs could use all four limbs to walk. Some modern animals which walk through their four limbs could also push off ground. Therefore, scientists said that even the largest pterosaurs have no problem to launch themselves into the air by their four limbs.