Critical Thinking Dashboard

Student Evaluation & Peer Review System

User Guide & Workflow

1   Overview

Welcome to the Critical Thinking Evaluation Dashboard. This platform is designed to help you structure your arguments using the PEEL method and receive constructive feedback from your peers.

> **The Golden Rule:** *"Give to Get."*
> You cannot view or rate other students' work until you have drafted and published your own argument.

2   Step 1: Getting Started

2.1   Account Creation

1. Open the application in your web browser.

2. **New Users:** Enter your email and a password, then click the **Sign Up** button.

3. **Returning Users:** Enter your credentials and click **Sign In**.

Tip: Please use an email that makes it easy for peers to identify you (e.g., your school email).

3   Step 2: Drafting Your Argument

Before you can access the evaluation tools, you must contribute your own work.

3.1   1. Navigate to "Draft"

Look at the sidebar on the left-hand side of the screen. Click on the **Draft** button (the Pen Tool icon).

3.2   2. Fill in the PEEL Structure

You will see a form asking for the following details. Please fill them out thoughtfully:

- **Student Name:** Your display name.

- **Topic:** The main subject of your argument.

- **Point (P):** State your main point clearly.

- **Evidence (E):** Provide facts or examples to support your point.

- **Explanation (E):** Analyze how the evidence proves your point.

- **Link (L):** Conclude by linking back to the main topic.

3.3   3. Publish

Click the **Publish Argument** button.

- Once published, the **Rate** tab will unlock.

- **Note on Locking:** Once a peer submits an evaluation for you, your argument will be **LOCKED**. You will no longer be able to edit it. This ensures that you cannot change your argument after receiving a score.

4   Step 3: Evaluating Peers

Once you have published your draft, you can evaluate others.

4.1   1. Select a Student

Click the **Rate** button (Checkmark icon) in the sidebar. Use the dropdown menu at the top left to select a student to review.

4.2   2. Scoring (0–100)

Read their argument displayed on the right. Then, use the sliders on the left to score them on the 4 PEEL criteria (0–25 points each):

Point Is the main argument clear?

Evidence Is the support accurate and relevant?

Explanation Is the logic sound?

Link Does it conclude effectively?

You should also provide written feedback in the comment boxes for each section.

4.3   3. Submit Evaluation

Click **Submit Evaluation**. Your score will be saved.

- If you rate the same student again, your previous score will be **updated** (overwritten).

- Your name is attached to every evaluation you submit.

5   Step 4: Viewing Your Results

To see how you performed:

1. Click the **View** button (Layout icon) in the sidebar.

2. Select your name from the list.

3. You will see your **Total Score** (Average of all evaluators) and a breakdown of your performance in each category.

4. Scroll down to see the detailed table of who evaluated you and what score they gave.