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Which of the following are fallacies?

1. My business has only lost money, and I’ve worked so hard at it. However, all this time and effort must be worth something, so I can’t close down my business!

2. If one person stands up in the stadium during a baseball game, they can see the game better. Therefore, if everyone at the stadium stands up, they can all see the game better.

3. We don’t know much about Miss Lee, but we think she is a university student, and she loves to listen to K-Pop and study English. This is probably true. It’s even more likely that Miss Lee is a university student who loves K-Pop and studying English and is Korean.

4. Have you heard about honeybees starting to go extinct? I’m scared because Einstein said that if bees go extinct, humans will soon go extinct as well.

5. George Washington was a technophobe. He didn’t even have a cellphone!

6. All of the men in Joe’s family have died early from heart problems, so I assume his heart is also bad.

7. Aigo! I just lost my third poker game in a row! Well, I’m sure to win the next one then.

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8. My uncle grows his own organic tobacco and makes his own chemical-free cigarettes. I think they’re really not that unhealthy.

9. Dogs are mammals and have four legs. Cats are mammals and have four legs. Therefore, all mammals have four legs.

10. Half of the generals want to attack Sweden, and half of the generals don’t want to attack Sweden. Thus, the President has decided to attack only half of Sweden.

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