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GRE写作复习总结和备考建议

# 逻辑错误① – 调查数据

## Survey & Data Flaws

找出下列调查/数据中可能存在的问题

### 练习1

A班学生在考试前签署了《诚信考试承诺书》。考试结束后，经校方调查，在签署了《承诺书》后，100%的学生表示他们没有作弊。所以让学生签署《诚信考试承诺书》是降低作弊率的有效方式。

### 练习2

W大学文学社的一项调查表明：W大学的学生们最爱看散文，但该校图书馆借阅量最高的类别却是侦探小说。由此可证，学生在做调查的时候会说谎。

# 逻辑错误① – 调查数据

## Survey & Data Flaws

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- Quantity of Sample
- Questions/ Options in Survey
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# CASE STUDY

## Find the flaws in the survey.

- quality of the sample
- quantity of the sample
- questions in the survey
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- time of the survey

In surveys, Mason City residents rank water sports (swimming, boating, and fishing) among their favorite recreational activities. The Mason River flowing through the city is rarely used for these pursuits, however, and the city park department devotes little of its budget to maintaining riverside recreational facilities. For years, there have been complaints from residents about the quality of the river's water and the river's smell. In response, the state has recently announced plans to clean up Mason River. Use of the river for water sports is, therefore, sure to increase. The city government should for that reason devote more money in this year's budget to riverside recreational facilities.

# Sample Essay – Score 6

Citing surveys of city residents, the author reports city resident's love of water sports. It is not clear, however, the scope and validity of that survey. For example, the survey could have asked residents if they prefer using the river for water sports or would like to see a hydroelectric dam built, which may have swayed residents toward river sports. The sample may not have been representative of city residents, asking only those residents who live upon the river. The survey may have been 10 pages long, with 2 questions dedicated to river sports. We just do not know. Unless the survey is fully representative, valid, and reliable, it cannot be used to effectively back the author's argument.



## Sample Essay – Score 6 2.0

Citing surveys of city residents, the author reports city resident's love of water sports. It is not clear, however, the scope and validity of that survey. For example, the sample may not have been representative of city residents, asking only those residents who live upon the river. **In addition**, the survey could have asked residents if they prefer using the river for water sports or would like to see a hydroelectric dam built, which may have swayed residents toward river sports. The survey may **also** have been 10 pages long, with 2 questions dedicated to river sports. ~~We just do not know.~~ Unless the survey is fully representative, valid, and reliable, it cannot be used to effectively back the author's argument.



# Sample Essay – Score 5

For example, consider the survey rankings among Mason City residents. The thought is that such high regard for water sports will translate into usage. But, survey responses can hardly be used as indicators of actual behavior. Many surveys conducted after the winter holidays reveal people who list exercise and weight loss as a top priority. Yet every profession does not equal a new gym membership. Even the wording of the survey results remain ambiguous and vague. While water sports may be among the residents' favorite activities, this allows for many other favorites. What remains unknown is the priorities of the general public. Do they favor these water sports above a softball field or soccer field? Are they willing to sacrifice the municipal golf course for better riverside facilities? Indeed the survey hardly provides enough information to discern future use of improved facilities.

# Sample Essay – Score 5 2.0

For example, consider the survey rankings among Mason City residents. The thought is that such high regard for water sports will translate into usage. **However,/ But** survey responses can hardly be used as indicators of actual behavior. Many surveys conducted after the winter holidays reveal people who list exercise and weight loss as a top priority. Yet every profession does not equal a new gym membership. Even the wording of the survey results remains ambiguous and vague. While water sports may be among the residents' favorite activities, this allows for many other favorites. What remains unknown is the priorities of the general public. Do they favor these water sports above a softball field or soccer field? Are they willing to sacrifice the municipal golf course for better riverside facilities? Indeed the survey hardly provides enough information to discern future use of improved facilities.

# EXERCISE 1

The following is a recommendation from the personnel director to the president of Acme Publishing Company.

“Many other companies have recently stated that having their employees take the Easy Read Speed-Reading Course has greatly improved productivity. One graduate of the course was able to read a 500-page report in only two hours; another graduate rose from an assistant manager to vice president of the company in under a year. Obviously, the faster you can read, the more information you can absorb in a single workday.

Moreover, Easy Read would cost Acme only \$500 per employee — a small price to pay when you consider the benefits. Included in this fee is a three-week seminar in Spruce City and a lifelong subscription to the Easy Read newsletter. Clearly, Acme would benefit greatly by requiring all of our employees to take the Easy Read course.”

Write a response in which you discuss what specific evidence is needed to evaluate the argument and explain how the evidence would weaken or strengthen the argument.

(126) (113/ 126/ 127/ 161)

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# Sample Essay

The first problem involved with this argument is the validity of the sample. Based on the evidence that a graduator of Easy Read Course was able to finish a 500 page report in just two hours, the author claims that the Acme Publishing Company should consider training their employees in this way. The quality of the sample, however, is not stated clearly. For example, the graduator might be able to read 600 pages per hour before he was trained. Even if he did read more pages after the course, he might have read totally different materials. To be specific, he might averagely be able to read 400-page report full of words before the training; but after the training, he was asked to read a 500-page report full of illustrations. Granted that the materials were similar, the argument still relies on the additional assumption that the memory retention is the same. He might read more after the training, but remember less. Therefore, the example is appealing, but its flaws fail to draw a conclusion that the Easy Read Course can help people gain more information.

(184 words)

# Template

The first problem involved with this argument is \_\_\_\_原文的逻辑错误\_\_\_\_  
( 如: the validity of the survey ). Based on the evidence that \_\_\_\_\_,  
the author claims that \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_A问题\_\_\_\_\_, however, is not stated  
clearly. For example/ To be specific, \_\_\_\_\_. Even if \_\_\_\_A没有问题\_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_还有B问题\_\_\_\_\_. \*[ Granted that \_\_\_\_B也没问题\_\_\_\_\_, the  
argument still relies on the additional assumption \_\_\_\_C问题\_\_\_\_\_. ]  
Therefore, the example/ assumption is appealing, but its flaws fail to draw a  
conclusion that \_\_\_\_\_.

# EXERCISE 2

The following appeared in an editorial in a business magazine.

“Although the sales of Whirlwind video games have declined over the past two years, a recent survey of video-game players suggests that this sales trend is about to be reversed. The survey asked video-game players what features they thought were most important in a video game. According to the survey, players prefer games that provide lifelike graphics, which require the most up-to-date computers. Whirlwind has just introduced several such games with an extensive advertising campaign directed at people ten to twenty-five years old, the age-group most likely to play video games. It follows, then, that the sales of Whirlwind video games are likely to increase dramatically in the next few months.”

Write a response in which you examine the stated and/or unstated assumptions of the argument. Be sure to explain how the argument depends on these assumptions and what the implications are for the argument if the assumptions prove unwarranted. (55)



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# Exercise 2

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## TEMPLATE

The first problem involved with this argument is the validity of the survey. Based on the evidence that \_\_\_\_\_, the author claims that \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_A问题\_\_\_\_\_, however, is not stated clearly. For example/ To be specific, \_\_\_\_\_. Even if \_\_\_\_\_A没有问题\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_还有B问题\_\_\_\_\_. Granted that \_\_\_\_\_B也没问题\_\_\_\_\_, the argument still relies on the additional assumption \_\_\_\_\_C问题\_\_\_\_\_. Therefore, the example/ assumption is appealing, but its flaws fail to draw a conclusion that \_\_\_\_\_.

# Sample Essay

The first problem involved with this argument is the validity of the survey. Based on the recent survey, the author implies that video-game players are inclined to games with lifelike graphics. The quality of samples, however, is not stated clearly. To be specific, the author groundlessly assumes that the survey has included people representative of video game players. However, since the respondents chose a feature that needs the latest computers, the survey might only ask some wealthy people. Even if the survey was based on random sampling, the conclusion still rests on the unsubstantiated assumption that questions in the survey were unambiguous. If the survey asked people to choose what they like, they might pick the features they thought fancy rather than the element crucial to their purchase, like the price. Therefore, the assumption is appealing, but its flaws fail to draw a conclusion that video game players are going to pay for games with lifelike graphics.

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# 评分标准 – SCORE 6

In addressing the specific task directions, a 6 response presents a cogent, well-articulated examination of the argument and conveys meaning skillfully.

A typical response in this category

- clearly identifies aspects of the argument relevant to the assigned task and examines them insightfully
- develops ideas cogently, organizes them logically, and connects them with clear transitions
- provides compelling and thorough support for its main points
- conveys ideas fluently and precisely, using effective vocabulary and sentence variety
- demonstrates superior facility with the conventions of standard written English (i.e. grammar, usage, and mechanics) but may have minor errors.

## 评分标准 – SCORE 4

In addressing the specific task directions, a 4 response presents a competent examination of the argument and conveys meaning with acceptable clarity.

A typical response in this category

- identifies and examines aspects of the argument relevant to the assigned task, but may also discuss some extraneous points
- develops and organizes ideas satisfactorily, but may not connect them with transitions
- supports its main points adequately, but may be uneven in its support
- demonstrates sufficient control of language to convey ideas with reasonable clarity
- generally demonstrates control of the conventions of standard written English, but may have some errors