

Week 7

Part 1

Indicate any logical problem that may prevent the following arguments from being convincing.

- 1) Conservatives do not care about anything except low taxes.

Too subjective.

- 2) The 1990-1995 Bob Rae government in Ontario shows why you should never vote NDP.

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detail.

- 3) Historically, the Liberal Party is the party of deficits in Canada.

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Part 2

Indicate the logical fallacy present in all of the following examples.

- 1) Either we work hard and write a great essay or we will never get into law school.

Either/or

- 2) You will never get a good job if you do not pass this course.

False Analogy.

- 3) The student is extremely smart, as evidenced by their logical and analytical essay.

Hasty Generalization.

- 4) A student who gets 88% on their essay clearly has some time for some extra reading.

Non Sequitur.

- 5) My essay marks have been better ever since I bought my lucky rabbit's foot.

Post-Hoc Fallacy

- 6) If I let you to hand in the assignment late, everyone will want to hand in the assignment late.

Slippery Slope.

- 7) This professor will not be happy until I have no more free time.

Name Calling.

- 8) This professor clearly does not like me because they gave me a bad mark on my essay.

Scare Man.