

GRE写作

5 Analyze an Argument 导论

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写作评分

How are the essays scored?

$$\frac{\text{final score}^1 + \text{final score}^2}{2} = \text{AW score}$$

Final scores of the two essays are averaged and rounded up to the nearest half point.

$$\frac{3 + 4}{2} = 3.5$$

$$\frac{3 + 3.5}{2} = 3.25 \approx 3.5$$

基本概念




What is an argument?



argument = premise(s) + conclusion

基本概念

What is an argument?


- 1. All dogs are animals.  **premise 1**
- 2. All animals have four legs.  **premise 2**
- 3. All dogs, therefore, have four legs.  **conclusion**

You cannot question the facts presented. You can only question how they are used.

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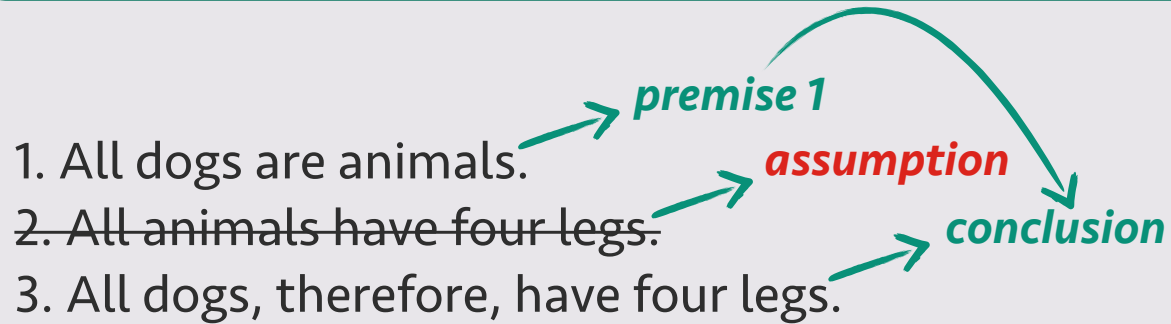
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What is an argument?

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- The diagram illustrates the structure of an argument. It consists of three numbered statements and three labels with arrows pointing to them. The first statement, '1. All dogs are animals.', has an arrow pointing to the label 'premise 1'. The second statement, '2. All animals have four legs.', has an arrow pointing to the label 'premise 2'. The third statement, '3. All dogs, therefore, have four legs.', has an arrow pointing to the label 'conclusion'. The labels are in a teal color and italicized font.
1. All dogs are animals. *premise 1*
 2. All animals have four legs. *premise 2*
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核心考点：找假设

What is an argument?



Does premise 2 still exist?

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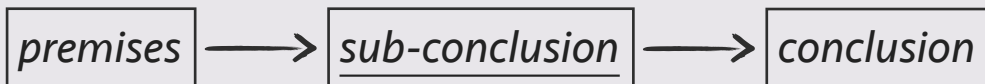
ARGUMENT No.30

A study reports that in nearby East Meria, where fish consumption is very high, people visit the doctor only once or twice per year for the treatment of colds. Clearly, eating a substantial amount of fish can prevent colds. Since colds represent the most frequently given reason for absences from school and work, we recommend the daily use of Ichthaid—a nutritional supplement derived from fish oil—as a good way to prevent colds and lower absenteeism.

1) 分清前提和结论； 2) 找假设并思考如何质疑

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Question the sub-conclusion, if there is one, first.

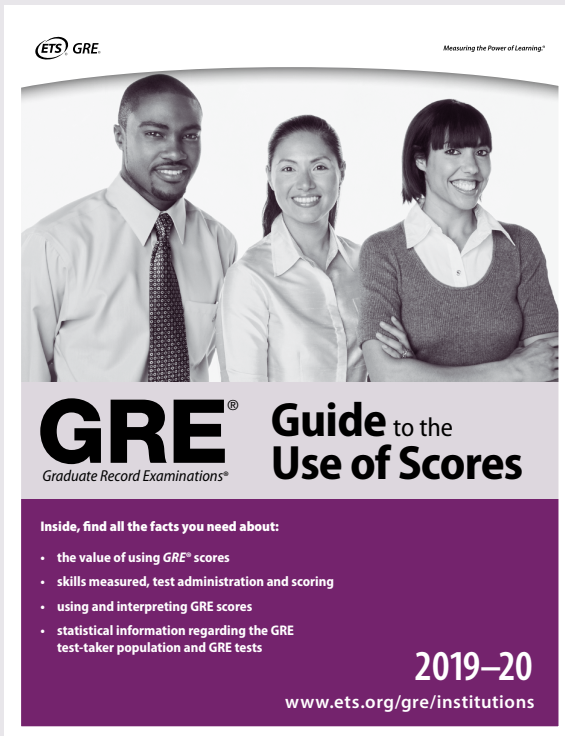
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Assumptions:

1. *That fish consumption is high indicates East Marians eat a lot of fish.*
2. *They catch colds less frequently than normal.*
3. *They will go to the doctor's whenever they catch a cold.*
4. *It is because they eat a lot of fish that they can prevent colds.*
5. *East Marians are being honest when asking for a sick leave.*
6. *It is Ichthaid that takes the effect of preventing colds.*

核心考点



Scorers are trained to focus on the **analytical logic** of the essays more than on spelling, grammar or syntax.

The mechanics of writing are weighed in their ratings only to the extent that these impede **clarity of meaning**.

analytical logic

核心考点

Scoring Guide

A typical response of a 6 essay clearly **1) identifies aspects of the argument relevant to the assigned task** and **2) examines them insightfully**.

- 1) 根据写作指令找到逻辑错误；
- 2) 有深度地分析逻辑错误。

Thanks

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