

# GRE写作

6.1 Argument 写作指令-找假设

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### 样题展示

#### **ARGUMENT No.1**

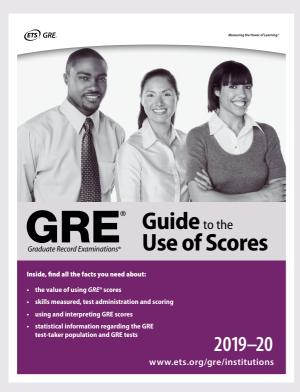
#### Argument

Hospital statistics regarding people who go to the emergency room after roller-skating accidents indicate the need for more protective equipment. Within that group of people, 75 percent of those who had accidents in streets or parking lots had not been wearing any protective clothing (helmets, knee pads, etc.) or any light-reflecting material (clip-on lights, glow-in-the-dark wrist pads, etc.). Clearly, the statistics indicate that by investing in high-quality protective gear and reflective equipment, roller skaters will greatly reduce their risk of being severely injured in an accident.

## Wring Instruction

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 if the assumptions prove unwarranted.

## 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



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- 1) 找到逻辑错误
- 2) 符合写作指令



## 写作指令

### Writing Instructions

- 1. evidence E
- 2. assumption A
- 3. question Q1
- 4. question Q2
- 5. question Q3
- 6. question Q4
- 7. alternative explanation A.E.
- 8. question Q5

- 39. ... the economy does." A
- 10. ... and Bean." A/E
- 53. ... cheese." Q3/A/E



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- 3. question stated assumption = sub-conclusion



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## The Holmes Law

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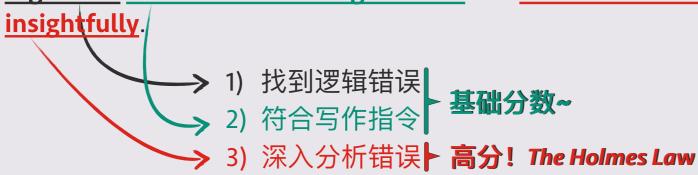
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## 拿小概率事件说事儿就是抬杠! — 师父Paul

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