## **Tool Rubric**

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Claim	My claim is clearly stated, focused on the topic, and thoroughly explained.	My claim is stated, focused on the topic, and explained.	My claim is stated, focused on the topic, and somewhat explained. My explanation does not show	My claim is stated unclearly, or it is unfocused on the topic. My explanation is missing or
	My claim rating reflects a realistic, detailed understanding of the process.	My claim rating reflects a realistic understanding of the process.	full understanding of the topic or claim's complexity.	shows a lack of understanding of the topic.
			My claim rating reflects a somewhat realistic understanding of the process.	My claim rating is incomplete or unrealistic.
Evidence	I present a clear and accurate treatment of all available evidence that addresses the central point of the claim.  All evidence is properly documented and assessed.	I present all relevant evidence needed to support the claim with no major errors.  Most evidence is properly documented, and all is	I provide evidence for the claim but do not address all necessary aspects.  Most evidence is properly documented and assessed.	I fail to provide convincing evidence for the claim.  I show a lack of understanding of proper documentation and assessment.
Analysis of Evidence	I show an understanding of the complexity of the evidence in relation to the claim.	properly assessed.  I show a clear understanding of evidence in relation to the claim.	I show a basic understanding of evidence in relation to the claim.	My understanding of the evidence-claim relationship is weak or inconsistent.
	My rationale of support and nonsupport reflects an understanding of multiple factors and perspectives.	My rationale of support and nonsupport reflects a partial understanding of multiple factors and perspectives.	My rationale of support and nonsupport does not reflect a depth of understanding.	My rationale does not support my rating.
Conclusion	My conclusion reflects an understanding of the depth and complexity of the topic based on evidence gathered.	My conclusion reflects an understanding of the topic based on evidence gathered.	My conclusion reflects some understanding of the topic based on evidence gathered.	My conclusion is not related to the claim, or it does not show a relationship between the claim and evidence.
	Possible counterarguments are thoroughly addressed.  My conclusion is clearly related	Possible counterarguments are explained with little detail.	Possible counterarguments are only mentioned.	Possible counterarguments are not addressed.
	to the claim, and described thoroughly and accurately.	My conclusion is clearly related to the claim.	My conclusion is somewhat related to the claim.	