

Strengthen

1. Which of the following, if true, most strengthens the argument?
2. Which of the following, if true, provides the strongest support for the conclusion?
3. Which of the following, if true, most helps to justify the conclusion?
4. Which of the following, if true, lends the most support to the claim?
5. Which of the following, if true, most supports the argument above?
6. Which of the following, if true, provides the best support for the conclusion?
7. Which of the following, if true, best justifies the reasoning?
8. Which of the following, if true, best backs up the author's claim?

If true ←

Conclusion can often follow “that” in the question stem:

9. Which of the following, if true, most strengthens the argument that the new recycling program will significantly reduce the city's waste?
10. Which of the following, if true, provides the strongest support for the conclusion that the company's profits will increase next year?
11. Which of the following, if true, most helps to justify the conclusion that building a subway line will reduce traffic congestion?
12. Which of the following, if true, lends the most support to the claim that the new drug is more effective than the old one?
13. Which of the following, if true, most strengthens the argument in favor of the proposed plan to expand the company's online sales platform?

Weaken

1. Which of the following, if true, most seriously weakens the argument?
2. Which of the following, if true, casts the most doubt on the conclusion?
3. Which of the following, if true, undermines the reasoning?
4. Which of the following, if true, most challenges the argument?

Conclusion can often follow “that” in the question stem:

14. Which of the following, if true, most weakens the argument that the new recycling program will significantly reduce the city's waste?
15. Which of the following, if true, provides the strongest reason to doubt the conclusion that the company's profits will increase next year?

16. Which of the following, if true, most seriously undermines the claim that building a subway line will reduce traffic congestion?
17. Which of the following, if true, casts the most doubt on the argument that remote work increases employee productivity?
18. Which of the following, if true, most weakens the argument in favor of the proposed plan to expand the company's online sales platform?

Plan/ proposal

19. Which of the following, if true, provides the strongest support for the proposal to increase the city's public transportation budget?
20. Which of the following, if true, most helps to justify the plan to replace the current software system?
21. Which of the following, if true, lends the most support to the proposal that the university should shorten the academic year?
22. Which of the following most supports the plan to introduce flexible working hours for employees?
23. Which of the following provides the best support for the proposal that the company should enter the Asian market?
24. Which of the following, if true, provides the strongest reason to doubt the proposal to increase the city's public transportation budget?
25. Which of the following, if true, most seriously undermines the plan to replace the current software system?
26. Which of the following, if true, casts the most doubt on the proposal that the university should shorten the academic year?
27. Which of the following most weakens the case for the plan to introduce flexible working hours for employees?
28. Which of the following provides the best reason to reject the proposal that the company should enter the Asian market?

Paradox

1. Which of the following, if true, most helps to resolve the paradox?
2. Which of the following, if true, best explains the apparent discrepancy?
3. Which of the following, if true, most helps to explain the surprising result?
4. Which of the following, if true, best reconciles the two statements above?
5. Which of the following, if true, most helps to account for the unexpected finding?
6. Which of the following, if true, offers the best explanation for the seeming contradiction?
7. Which of the following, if true, most helps to explain why both of the above could be true?
8. Which of the following, if true, resolves the apparent inconsistency described above?

Assumption (Necessary Assumption)

1. Which of the following is an assumption on which the argument depends?
2. The argument requires which of the following assumptions?
3. Which of the following must be true in order for the argument to be valid?
4. The argument relies on which of the following being true?
5. Which of the following is necessary for the conclusion to follow from the premises?
6. Which of the following is an unstated assumption of the argument?
7. The conclusion above depends on which of the following assumptions?
8. Which of the following, if false, would most seriously undermine the argument's reasoning?

Evaluation (Evaluate the Argument / Judge the Argument)

1. Which of the following would be most useful to know in evaluating the argument?
2. The answer to which of the following would be most helpful in assessing the argument?
3. Which of the following would be most relevant to determining whether the argument is sound?
4. Which of the following would provide the most information for judging the argument?
5. Which of the following would be most helpful in deciding whether the conclusion is justified?
6. Which of the following questions would be most important to answer in evaluating the argument?
7. Which of the following, if answered, would best help to assess the strength of the argument?
8. Which of the following would be most useful in determining whether the reasoning is valid?

Conclusion

1. Which of the following most accurately states the conclusion of the argument?
2. Which of the following is the main conclusion drawn in the argument above?
3. Which of the following best expresses the author's main point?
4. Which of the following is the primary conclusion of the argument?
5. Which of the following most nearly expresses the conclusion of the passage?
6. Which of the following states the conclusion that the argument is trying to establish?
7. Which of the following best summarizes the argument's conclusion?
8. Which of the following is the claim that the argument seeks to support?
9. The statement above, if true, most strongly supports which of the following conclusions?
10. The information above, if accurate, provides the strongest support for which of the following statements?
11. If the statement above is true, which of the following is most strongly supported?
12. The evidence above most directly supports which of the following claims?

13. Taken together, the statements above best support which of the following conclusions?
14. The statement above, if correct, most helps to justify which of the following assertions?
15. Which of the following conclusions is best supported by the information above?
16. The information given above most reasonably supports which of the following statements?

Practice

17. Which of the following, if true, **most seriously undermines the argument?**
18. Which of the following **is an assumption on which the argument depends?**
19. The information above, if accurate, **most strongly supports which of the following conclusions?**
20. Which of the following, if true, **best explains the apparent discrepancy?**
21. Which of the following **would be most useful to know in evaluating the argument?**
22. Which of the following **most accurately states the conclusion of the argument?**
23. Which of the following, if true, **most helps to justify the plan to replace the current software system?**
24. Which of the following, if true, **casts the most doubt on the conclusion?**
25. Which of the following **must be true in order for the argument to be valid?**
26. Taken together, the statements above **best support which of the following conclusions?**
27. Which of the following, if true, **most helps to resolve the paradox?**
28. Which of the following **provides the strongest support for the proposal to expand the company's online sales platform?**
29. Which of the following **would be most helpful in deciding whether the conclusion is justified?**
30. Which of the following, if true, **most strengthens the argument that the new policy will reduce costs?**
31. Which of the following **is the primary conclusion of the argument?**
32. Which of the following, if false, **would most seriously undermine the argument's reasoning?**
33. Which of the following **provides the best reason to reject the proposal?**
34. Which of the following, if true, **offers the best explanation for the seeming contradiction?**
35. The evidence above **most directly supports which of the following claims?**
36. The answer to which of the following **would be most helpful in assessing the argument?**

