



# Is it a Claim or is it Evidence?

A **claim** is a statement that describes your position or point of view on a topic or issue. A claim is ALWAYS be open for debate. **Evidence** is any combination of facts, data, or examples, or quotations that support your claim. Evidence is NOT debatable. You use evidence to prove that a claim is true.

**DIRECTIONS:** Read each statement. Is it a claim? Explain your answer.

Yardwork is a lot of fun. Especially in the summer.

Is it a claim? \_\_\_\_\_ Explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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The Moon is the second densest natural satellite among those whose densities are known.

Is it a claim? \_\_\_\_\_ Explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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George Washington was an educated man.

Is it a claim? \_\_\_\_\_ Explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Everyone over the age of twelve has a cell phone.

Is it a claim? \_\_\_\_\_ Explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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