

Identifying Claims and 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 the assigned text. Answer the questions.



What is the author's **claim**?

What **evidence** does the author use to support the claim? What is the **justification** for each piece of evidence?

Evidence	Justification