



Deductive Reasoning

Choose a word from the box to complete each sentence. You may use some words more than once.

conclusion	inference	information
specific	scope	top
assumption	premises	statements

1. Deductive reasoning means making an _____ based on _____ that is well known and widely accepted.
2. When you deduce something, you reason from one (or more) _____ to arrive at a logical _____.
3. In deductive reasoning, if the _____ are true, then the _____ must also be true.
4. Deductive reasoning works from the _____ down: it begins with a general _____ and narrows in _____ until it arrives at a _____ conclusion.