Expressions of Uncertainty

Many words and phrases act like markers in a text to indicate to readers that the author is less than certain about what is being said. Collectively, these words and phrases that indicate uncertainty are called uncertainty qualifiers. One category of uncertainty qualifiers are expressions, such as:

- Raise the question of
- To the best of our knowledge
- As far as I know



DIRECTIONS: Study the text provided. Provide examples of how/where the author uses expressions of uncertainty. Quote from the text, and explain why each example indicates uncertainty.

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Quote from the Text: _____

Why is this uncertainty?

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