

# REASONS & EVIDENCE

## task cards

**★ Reasons and Evidence Challenge**

Underline the author's point in **red**.

Underline the supporting reasons in **yellow**.

**Answer Sheet**

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**Reasons and Evidence**



**23. Reasons and Evidence**

Countries around the world have different forms of government. The type of government affects how the citizens of the country live their daily lives. In a democracy, people have the freedom to choose who they want to run their country. Anyone eligible to vote has the right to do so. Governments run by dictatorship have a single leader that was not voted by the people. Many times, force is used by the dictator to remain in control. Monarchies are governed by a king or queen. In some countries, the king or queen has all the power, but in others their power is limited.

What two reasons support the point that the type of government affects how citizens live their daily lives?

**17. Reasons and Evidence**

Do you have a hard time tasting your food when you have a stuffy nose? The reason is behind your senses of smell and taste. They love to work together! Inside your nose are millions of hairs called cilia. These hairs work to send signals to your brain. Similarly, your tongue uses taste buds to send signals to your brain. You can only taste four different flavors, but you can smell around 10,000 different smells. The flavor of your food comes from a combination of what your tongue tastes and what your nose smells. If one of your senses is not working, you may find it hard to enjoy your meal.

What two reasons support the point that our senses work together?

- The flavor of food comes from what we taste and smell.

**1. Reasons and Evidence**

Toothpaste is important in helping to keep our teeth white and cavity-free, but it can have lots of other uses. Many households keep their favorite tube on hand to get pesky stains out of rugs and carpet with little effort. Just rub a small amount of toothpaste into the stain with a sponge and then clean with a damp cloth. It can also be used on other furniture, such as couches or mattresses. Try to get that crayon mark off your bedroom wall or even the black scuffs off your white tennis shoes. It works like magic!

What is the author's main point?

- Toothpaste is magic.
- Many households have toothpaste.
- Do not put toothpaste on your walls.
- Toothpaste has many uses.

**4th & 5th Grade**



# Ways to Use Task Cards

1. **Centers**
2. **Scoot:** Pass out one card for each student. Set a timer and say, “Scoot!” when the timer goes off. Students move seats to the next card. They continue to rotate until they are back at their original seats.
3. **Scavenger Hunt:** Hide cards around the room. Students search for cards and answer them.
4. **Jenga:** Number Jenga blocks. Students stack the blocks then take turns pulling them. Students answer the corresponding number card.
5. **Whole-Class Practice:** Teacher displays card on the projector. Students answer on mini whiteboards.
6. **Exit Tickets:** Give each student a task card at the end of the lesson. Have them answer on a sticky note.



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- a. Toothpaste is magic.
- b. Many households have toothpaste.
- c. Do not put toothpaste on your walls.
- d. Toothpaste has many uses.

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**2.**

## Reasons and Evidence

Have you ever explored a cave? There are lots of passageways, cool formations, and even some creatures to see. It takes millions of years for a cave to form. Many caves are made from a soft rock called limestone. When water flows over this type of rock, it causes it to dissolve, leaving open passages and rooms. The water formations found in caves are called stalactites and stalagmites. They are made by the constant dripping of mineral-rich water. Some animals love the dark, wet environment a cave provides. These animals include bats, spiders, and bears.

**Which piece of evidence helps explain how caves are formed?**

- These animals include bats, spiders, and bears.
- Some animals love the dark, wet environment a cave provides.
- There are lots of passageways, cool formations, and even some creatures to see.
- The constant dripping of water creates formations.

**3.**

## Reasons and Evidence

Mars is our neighboring planet and has some interesting similarities to Earth. Mars, also known as the Red Planet, is a rocky planet with an active atmosphere. Mars has seasons, ice caps, and landforms, such as volcanoes and canyons. Scientists have proven that Mars has experienced ancient flooding. One day on Mars lasts 24.6 hours, which is very similar to Earth. With all these similarities to our home planet, scientists often wonder if life will exist on Mars in the future.

**How does the author develop the point that Mars is like Earth?**

- by showing examples of how they are related
- by showing how Mars is a better planet
- by showing that we know more about Earth
- by showing examples of how they are different

**4.**

## Reasons and Evidence

Next time you pick up your electronics to listen to music or movies, you can thank Mr. James E. West. He is not well-known, but most Americans use his invention daily. Born in 1931, West was fascinated with electricity at a young age. This prompted his career as a physicist. In 1957, he worked with a fellow scientist to create a compact microphone. It is estimated that 90 percent of microphones today use his technology, including hearing aids, cell phones, headphones, and laptops.

**Which sentence supports the idea that most Americans use his invention daily?**

- "He is not well-known..."
- "This prompted his career as a physicist."
- "...West was fascinated with electricity at a young age."
- "...hearing aids, cell phones, headphones..."

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5.	C	20.	C
6.	D	21.	B
7.	A	22.	A
8.	B	23.	D
9.	D	24.	C
10.	C, D	25.	A
11.	D	26.	D
12.	C	27.	C
13.	B	28.	B
14.	D	29.	A
15.	A	30.	D

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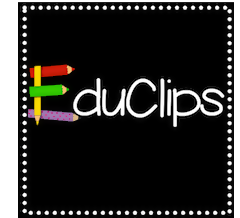
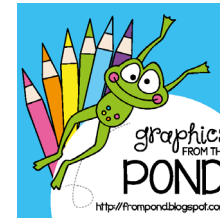


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