

- comprehensible
- from a trusted source
- believable

B. Use the motion: This House Would Abolish School Uniforms.

1. Working in a group, find three pieces of evidence both for and against the motion. Use the same marking scale as above to evaluate each other's evidence and discuss why some pieces of evidence worked and some didn't.
 2. Divide the group into pairs and debate the motion. As other members of your group are speaking, take notes on what evidence was persuasive and what wasn't.
 3. Reconvene the group and discuss whether there were common experiences between your group and others.
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CHAPTER CHECKLIST

- "Evidence" is a term used to describe a body of knowledge that an audience will accept as being true.
 - Evidence is the foundation of any argument; its absence may invalidate any position you put forward.
 - Evidence can be found in a wide variety of sources, each of which must be evaluated.
 - Whatever source you use, verify the information elsewhere.
 - Four factors will determine the likelihood of an audience accepting your evidence: Is the evidence relevant, comprehensible, trustworthy, and believable?
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