

Logical fallacies quiz

Directions: Each fallacy is illustrated once. Choose from the following fallacies:

- begging the question
- non sequitur
- false authority
- snob appeal
- bandwagon
- ad populum
- ad hominem
- hasty generalization (narrow sampling)
- sweeping generalization
- post hoc, ergo propter hoc (false cause)
- “either-or” (false dilemma)
- false analogy

1. I could probably understand logical fallacies if it weren't so confusing.
Begging the question
2. How can you turn in your roommate for cheating? It's disloyal! **Ad populum**
3. Any really serious students will study hard for the logical fallacies quiz. **Snob appeal**
4. Dr. Tsanacas and Dr. Stinson drive very nice cars. Business professors must make a lot of money. **Hasty generalization**
5. Since the PG-13 rating was introduced, young people see a lot more violence and sex in movies. The Motion Picture Association never should have introduced that rating.
Post hoc / false cause
6. Professors' expectations of students are just too high. **Sweeping generalization**
7. Everybody knows that students on the S.G.A. just hands out money to their friends.
bandwagon
8. Guns don't kill people. People kill people. **Either-or / false dilemma**
9. How can you take Dr. Bier seriously when he rides a motor scooter to work?
ad hominem
10. Writing is just like exercise. If you lift weights three or four times a week, you'll get muscles. If you write three or four times a week, you'll produce a best-seller.
False analogy
11. He's by far the best professor at this school. We should pay him a million dollars a year.
Non sequitur
12. The Iraqi people are grateful for the U.S. military presence. My brother's a soldier, and he told me so. **False authority**