

Post-EBA Assessment: Skill 2

Student's name: _____ Date: _____

Teacher's name: _____ Grade: _____

1. Each of the following questions provides a different warrant for the following claim: It should be illegal to text on a cell phone while driving.

1a. Which type of warrant is given in the statement below? Circle one answer choice.

My cousin got into a car accident once and sometimes she texts while she drives.

- (a) Data
- (b) Personal Experience
- (c) Expert source
- (d) Logical reasoning

1b. Which type of warrant is given in the statement below? Circle one answer choice.

When people text, they often take their eyes off the road and become distracted.

- (a) Data
- (b) Personal Experience
- (c) Expert source
- (d) Logical reasoning

1c. Which type of warrant is given in the statement below? Circle one answer choice.

In 2009, drivers using cell phones killed 1,000 people on U.S. roads.

- (a) Data
- (b) Personal Experience
- (c) Expert source
- (d) Logical reasoning

1d. Which of the three warrants above provides the strongest support for the claim that texting while driving should be illegal (1a, 1b, or 1c)? In a few sentences, provide a complete argument for why the warrant you chose is stronger than the others.

2a. Which of the warrants below would be best for convincing your school principal that students need less homework? Circle one answer choice.

- (a) ...I need more time to get the high score on my favorite videogame.
- (b) ...we need more sleep to come to class ready to learn.
- (c) ...spending time with friends is more important than homework.
- (d) ...I need more time to help my little sister with her homework.

In 1-2 sentences, explain why you circled the answer you chose above in #2a.

2b. Which of the warrants below would be best for convincing your mom that students need less homework? Circle one answer choice.

- (a) ...I need more time to get the high score on my favorite videogame.
- (b) ...we need more sleep to come to class ready to learn.
- (c) ...spending time with friends is more important than homework.
- (d) ...I need more time to help my little sister with her homework.

In 1-2 sentences, explain why you circled the answer you chose above in #2b.
