



MysteryQuest 21

Support Materials 4 (Activity Sheet)

Identifying the Degree of Bias

Document _____

Impartial perspective ←		→ Biased perspective	
<p><i>Open-minded:</i> willing to accept new ideas and alter his opinions based on new evidence.</p>	<p>Very open-minded</p> <p>←</p> <p>+4 +3 +2 +1 0 -1 -2 -3 -4</p> <p>→</p> <p>Very closed-minded</p>	<p><i>Closed-minded:</i> unwilling to consider evidence that might go counter to a predetermined view.</p>	
<p><i>Full-minded:</i> well informed and considered available evidence from various sides.</p>	<p>Very full-minded</p> <p>←</p> <p>+4 +3 +2 +1 0 -1 -2 -3 -4</p> <p>→</p> <p>Very one-sided</p>	<p><i>One-sided:</i> reached conclusions on inadequate or partial evidence.</p>	
<p><i>Fair-minded:</i> put personal interests aside when weighing the evidence.</p>	<p>Very fair-minded</p> <p>←</p> <p>+4 +3 +2 +1 0 -1 -2 -3 -4</p> <p>→</p> <p>Very prejudiced</p>	<p><i>Prejudiced:</i> personal attachments prejudged the result in favour of one side over the others.</p>	

Overall assessment - This account is:

- Highly impartial
 Somewhat impartial
 Somewhat biased
 Highly biased

Reasons: