



MysteryQuest 38

Evaluation Materials 2 (Rubric)

Assessing the Conclusion and Justification

	Outstanding	Very Good	Competent	Satisfactory	In-progress
Offers plausible conclusion	The conclusion is highly plausible and the most justifiable option in light of the evidence provided.	The conclusion is clearly plausible and justifiable in light of the evidence provided.	The conclusion is plausible and somewhat justifiable in light of the evidence provided	The conclusion is plausible but not the most justifiable given the evidence provided.	The conclusion is implausible and not justifiable given the evidence provided.
Identifies and supports important reasons for the conclusion	Identifies four very important reasons for the conclusion, and supports each with accurate and relevant evidence.	Identifies four important reasons for the conclusion, and supports with generally accurate and relevant evidence.	Identifies important reasons for the conclusion, and supports some of these reasons with accurate evidence.	Identifies some reasons for the conclusion, but the important reasons are missing and offers little evidence in support.	Identifies no reasons for the conclusion, or does not support the reasons with any evidence.
Identifies and counters strong reasons against the conclusion	Identifies two very strong reasons against the conclusion, and clearly explains why they are not convincing.	Identifies two strong reasons against the conclusion and explains why they are not convincing.	Identifies two relevant but not very strong reasons against the conclusion, and explains why they are not convincing.	Identifies weak reasons against the conclusion and does not clearly explain why they are not convincing.	Identifies no relevant reasons against the conclusion, or does not explain why these reasons are not convincing.