

Example written explanations of qualitative reasoning: Scaffolds of argumentation have corresponding parts that can be used to analyze five species of argument structure

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	Style 1	Style 2			Simple pairings	Analyze constancy and change with more or less detail	Argue from contradiction	Combine	
					Use substitution / transitive property to show that two quantities have equal value	Qualitatively analyze by distinguishing among broad categories of increase, decrease, remain the same	Quantitatively analyze by using algebraic symbols (e.g. exponents) to distinguish among subcategories (e.g. increasing by doubling vs. increasing by quadrupling)		Describe a conflict that would occur in a hypothetical scenario and a resolution of the conflict
Backing (authority of warrant)	<u>E</u> vidence	<u>R</u> easoning	<u>B</u> asic principles	<u>R</u> elationship	According to N2L,	According to N2L,	According to the definition of kinetic energy,	According to N2L,	
Warrant (rule, relationship, or tool used to get from data to claim)					$a_y = \frac{\Sigma F_y}{m_1}$.	$a_x = \frac{\Sigma F_x}{m}$.	$K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$, an object's kinetic energy is proportional to the object's mass and proportional to the square of the object's speed.	the net inward force ΣF_{IN} (provided by the gravitational force, $F_G = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$, which is inversely proportional to r^2) equals the product $m \cdot \frac{v^2}{r}$ (which is inversely proportional to r) of the mass of the moon m and radially inward acceleration $a_{IN} = \frac{v^2}{r}$.	
Data/Grounds	<u>E</u> vidence	<u>C</u> onnect to situation (<u>c</u> ompare, <u>c</u> ontrast, <u>c</u> ite)	<u>E</u> qual/same	<u>A</u> ltered/different	The net y-force equals $F_G = m_G g$.	The mass of the object was the same in both experiments.	The mass of the object was the same in both experiments.	The masses are the same in both scenarios. If the speed v also stayed unchanged	
								The net force was stronger in the 2 nd experiment.	The speed of the object in the 2 nd experiment was double the speed of the object in the 1 st experiment.
Claim	<u>R</u> easoning	<u>C</u> laim	<u>D</u> raw ideas together into assertion	<u>S</u> o what?	So, the y-acceleration $a_y = \frac{m_G g}{m_1}$ equals the ratio of the product of the object's gravitational mass and the gravitational acceleration to the object's inertial mass.	So, the magnitude of the acceleration was greater in the 2 nd experiment.	So, the kinetic energy of the object was quadrupled in the 2 nd experiment.	both the gravitational force expression $\frac{GMm}{r^2}$ and the product $m \cdot \frac{v^2}{r}$ of mass and acceleration would have smaller magnitude, but the gravitational force expression would have smaller magnitude than the product of mass and acceleration.	
	<u>C</u> laim				<u>A</u> nswer / <u>A</u> ssertion				
				Any quantity to analyze <u>N</u> ext?					∩

Counterpoint excerpts from Lehmann, F.J., *A Treatise on Simple Counterpoint in Forty Lessons*. G. Schirmer, New York: 1907, available at <https://www.gutenberg.org/files/16342/16342-h/16342-h.htm>