

EVIDENCE-BASED CLAIMS CRITERIA CHECKLIST		✓	COMMENTS
I. CONTENT AND ANALYSIS <i>An EBC is a clearly stated inference that arises from reading texts closely.</i>	Clarity of the Claim: States a conclusion that you have come to after reading and that you want others to think about.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Conformity to the Text: Is based upon and linked to the ideas and details you have read.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Understanding of the Topic: Demonstrates knowledge of and sound thinking about a text or topic that matters to you and others.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
II. COMMAND OF EVIDENCE <i>An EBC is supported by specific textual evidence and developed through valid reasoning.</i>	Reasoning : All parts of the claim are supported by specific evidence you can point to in the text(s).	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Use and Integration of Evidence: Uses direct quotations and examples from the text(s) to explain and prove its conclusion.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Thoroughness and Objectivity: Is explained thoroughly and distinguishes your claim from other possible positions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
III. COHERENCE AND ORGANIZATION <i>An EBC and its support are coherently organized into a unified explanation.</i>	Relationship to Context: States where your claim is coming from and why you think it is important.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Relationships among Parts: Groups and presents supporting evidence in a clear way that helps others understand your claim.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Relationship to Other Claims: Can be linked with other claims to make an argument.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
IV. CONTROL OF LANGUAGE AND CONVENTIONS <i>An EBC is communicated clearly and precisely, with responsible use/ citation of supporting evidence.</i>	Clarity of Communication: Is clearly and precisely stated, so that others understand your thinking.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Responsible Use of Evidence: Quotes from the text accurately.	<input type="checkbox"/>	