

CR

Minor question types

① Explain an event: choose answer that allows all the premises to be true without any perceived conflict

X. ② Analyze the argument structure — very hard time consuming

Mark **Boldface** as

- ① is conclusion
- ② supports conclusion
- ③ weakens conclusion

Then classify answer choices

Alternative approach

Label
boldface {
Fact
Opinion
Conclusion

③ Evaluate the conclusion

④ Resolve a problem

⑤ Provide an example

⑥ Restate the conclusion

⑦ Mimic the argument

X. [READ EVERY SINGLE WORD]

CR.

Argument Structure

X.

Premises + (Assumptions) = Conclusion
↳ unstated

Conclusion signals: Therefore So As a result
 Consequently Suggests Thus
It follows that Indicates Hence Accordingly

Premise signals: Since Because Due to
 Given that As a result of As

Boundary words = words/phrases narrow scope of the argument - underline

EXCEPT question: rephrase with NOT

Extreme word: mark with !

(correct)
Negating an assumption: should be non-sensical!

↳ LEN: Least extreme negation technique

Always \Leftrightarrow Not necessarily, sometimes not
Not one \Leftrightarrow At least one
Some \Leftrightarrow No
Sometimes \Leftrightarrow never

Best, worst, greatest, highest \Leftrightarrow Not necessarily

use when stuck b/w 2 good choices *

BC

Modifiers

single word (adjective/adverb), multiple, complex modifying phrases

- Adjective modifies noun or pronoun
- Adverb modifies verb, adjective another adverb, a preposition or a phrase

Possessive Poision

- X Unskilled in math, Bill's score on the exam was poor
- ✓ Unskilled in math, Bill did not score well on the exam

Adverbial modifiers

- which vs. that vs. who
- non-essential ↪ essential either

↳ who → non-essential clause

which → be careful (Clarity)

SC

Parallelism Strategy

* Parallelism with Pronouns: which, that, those, who, etc - use same pronoun in parallel items

* Idioms

* Superficial vs. Actual

- Not all verb phrases here to match up

* Verbs of being

Odds & Ends

Quantity: countable vs. uncountable

~~The~~ The number of → singular

A number of → plural

Increase & Decrease vs. greater & less

change once time vs. comparison b/w 2

→ ; connects 2 closely related independently standing sentences
: should be able to insert namely

Incorrect: Do it, The number of

(Do so)

whether or not

(whether)

