

August 2011 – May 2012
10:30-11:30am

Kingdom Builders Homeschool Cooperative
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Critical Thinking/Logic

Welcome to Critical Thinking and Logic! Students are expected to complete assigned reading, workbook assignments, and research assignments at home. Many weeks, students will also be asked to find and bring to class examples of fallacies from magazines, newspapers, TV, the internet, or other sources. We will be expanding on these assignments during class time using real life examples, discussions, scripted dialogues, and vocabulary review games.

Students will be required to turn in completed homework prior to their 9:30 class in the designated box in the teacher's lounge. Twice during the year, students will be assigned a research project that will be presented in class. Additionally, six chapter tests and one final exam will be administered during this class.

Grading Scale	Tests	40%
	Homework	30%
	Presentations	20%
	Participation	10%

- The Art of Argument* by Larsen, Hodge, and Perrin; Version 8.0 ISBN 978-1-60051-018-2
- Small three ring binder with blank notebook paper
- 100 index cards, preferably 3 x 5
- Zippered pouch for binder
- 2 sharpened Pencils and/or pens
- A positive attitude!

BRING ALL OF THE ABOVE TO CLASS EACH FRIDAY

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"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12

The Art of Argument, Version 8.0

Please note that we are meeting on Fridays. The expectation is that the student will have read the assigned pages and completed the exercises on those assigned pages prior to Friday. **Students will be required to turn in completed homework prior to their 9:30 class in the designated box in the teacher's lounge. This includes the first week of class.**

Course Objectives

- To understand the importance of informal logic (critical thinking) and begin to use critical thinking skills in daily life.
- To recognize and identify fallacies (faulty reasoning).
- To learn to use logic in his/her own reasoning.

Course Prerequisites

- None

Week 1 (Class date August 26, 2011)

Mon pp. 5-9
Tue pp. 10-12
Wed pp. 13 (only #2 to be completed)
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Intro to Logic**

Week 2 (Class date September 2, 2011)

Mon pp. 14-17 (for exercise pg. 17B, student need only answer with short notes; no essays required)
Tue pp. 19-23 (for exercise on pg. 23, #1-write 1 paragraph, #2-bring 2 examples, #3-create your own example)
Wed
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Intro to Logic**

Week 3 (Class date September 9, 2011)

Mon pp. 24-26
Tue pp. 27-30
Wed pp. 31-36
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Intro to Unit 1, Intro to Chp. 1, Fallacy 1**

Week 4 (Class date September 16, 2011)

Mon pp. 37-41
Tue pp. 42-46
Wed Week 4 Logic Problems
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 2 and 3**

September 23rd Fall Break

Week 5 (Class date September 30, 2011)

Mon pp. 47-50
Tue pp. 51
Wed Week 5 Logic Problems
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 4 and Chapter 1 Review**

Week 6 (Class date October 7, 2011)

Mon pp. 52-57
Tue pp. 58-62
Wed Study review and vocabulary cards
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Chapter 1 Test, Intro to Chapter 2, Fallacy 5, Assign Research Presentations**

Week 7 (Class date October 14, 2011)

Mon pp. 63-66
Tue pp. 67-68
Wed pp. 69-74
Thu Work on presentation
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 6 and 7**

Week 8 (Class date October 21, 2011)

Mon pp. 75-77
Tue pp. 80-85
Wed pg. 86 (only need to show one example each for #1-3)
Thu Work on presentation
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 8 and 9**

Week 9 (Class date October 28, 2011)

Mon pp. 87-90
Tue pp. 91-92
Wed pg. 93
Thu Work on presentation
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 10 and Chapter 2 Review**

Week 10 (Class date November 4, 2011)

Mon pp. 94-95
Tue pg. 96
Wed Study for Chapter 2 Test
Thu Finish presentation
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Chapter 2 Test, Intro to Chp. 3, Presentations**

Week 11 (Class Date November 11, 2011)

Mon pp. 97-99
Tue pp. 100-101
Wed pp.102-104
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 11 and 12, Presentations**

Week 12 (Class Date November 18, 2011)

Mon pp. 105-107
Tue pp.108-109
Wed pp. 110-113
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 13 and 14, Presentations**

November 25th Thanksgiving Break

Week 13 (Class Date December 2, 2011)

Mon pp. 114-115B
Tue pg. 115C
Wed pp. 116-117
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Chapter 3 and Unit 1 Review, Presentations**

Week 14 (Class Date December 9, 2011)

Mon Study for Chapter 3/Unit 1 Test
Tue Study for Chapter 3/Unit 1 Test
Wed Study for Chapter 3/Unit 1 Test
Thu Study for Chapter 3/Unit 1 Test
Fri **Class topic: Chapter 3/Unit 1 Test, Christmas Celebration!**

Week 15 (Class Date January 13, 2012)

Mon pp. 118-119
Tue pg. 120
Wed pg. 121
Thu Week 15 Logic Problems
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Intro to Unit 2 and Chapter 4, Assign Creative Presentations**

Week 16 (Class Date January 20, 2012)

Mon pp. 122-124
Tue pp. 125-127
Wed Week 16 Logic Problems
Thu Work on presentation
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 15, Discuss presentations**

Week 17 (Class Date January 27, 2012)

Mon pp. 128-131
Tue Find and submit an example of Bifurcation
Wed pp. 132-135
Thu pp. 136-137
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 16**

Week 18 (Class Date February 3, 2012)

Mon pp. 138-141
Tue Find and submit an example of the Fallacy of Moderation
Wed Work on presentation
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 17**

Week 19 (Class Date February 10, 2012)

Mon pp. 142-146
Tue pp. 147-149
Wed Work on presentation
Thu Work on presentation
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 18 and 19**

February 17th Teen Pact Break

Week 20 (Class Date February 24, 2012)

Mon pp. 150-154
Tue pg. 155
Wed pg. 156B
Thu pp. 156B-157
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 20, Chapter 4 Review**

Week 21 (Class Date March 2, 2012)

Mon pp. 158-159
Tue pp. 160-162
Wed Study for Chapter 4 Test
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Chapter 4 Test, Chapter 5 Intro**

Week 22 (Class Date March 9, 2012)

Mon pp. 163-166
Tue pp. 167-169
Wed Finish presentations
Thu Finish presentations
Fri **Above homework due; Presentations Due; Class topic: Fallacy 21 and 22**

Week 23 (Class Date March 16, 2012)

Mon pp. 170-173
Tue pg. 174
Wed pp. 175-178
Thu pg. 179
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 23 and 24; Share Presentations**

Week 24 (Class Date March 23, 2012)

Mon pp. 180-183
Tue pp. 184-185
Wed
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 25, Chapter 5 Review, Share Presentations**

Week 25 (Class Date March 30, 2012)

Mon pp. 186-187
Tue pg. 188
Wed pp. 189-190
Thu Study for Chapter 5 Test
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Chapter 5/Unit 2 Test, Unit 3/Chapter 6 Intro**

April 6th Easter Break

Week 26 (Class Date April 13, 2012)

Mon pp. 195-198
Tue pp. 199-200
Wed pp. 201-203
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 26 and 27**

Week 27 (Class Date April 20, 2012)

Mon pp. 204-206
Tue pp. 207-208
Wed pp. 209-210
Thu
Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Fallacy 28 and Chapter 6/Unit 3 Review**

Week 28 (Class Date April 27, 2012)

Mon pp. 211-212

Tue

Wed Fallacy Matching Worksheet

Thu Study for Chapter 6/Unit 3 Test

Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Chapter 6/Unit 3 Test, Final Exam Review**

May 4th GHEA Break

Week 29 (Class Date May 11, 2012)

Mon Cumulative Vocabulary Crossword Puzzle

Tue Final exam study guide

Wed Final exam essay question practice

Thu pp. 216-223

Fri **Above homework due; Class topic: Final Exam Review**

Week 30 (Class Date May 18, 2012)

Mon Study for final exam

Tue Study for final exam

Wed Study for final exam

Thu Study for final exam

Fri **Final Exam and Celebration!**

Friday May 18, 2012 Last Day of Class, End of Session