

Paragraph Structure:



Claim: _____

(Sometimes it is an answer to a question being asked of you.)

- It should specifically state _____
- It should include your _____ and _____
- topic—what happened to the dude
- opinion—he did not fall
- It should _____ your entire _____
- Your whole paragraph will be explanation and evidence to support your claim that he didn't fall.

THE DUDE DID NOT FALL DOWN THE STAIRS; HIS BODY WAS PLACED THERE.

Warrant: _____

The warrant _____ the data and shows how it supports your _____.

The warrant, in other words, explains

_____ the data proves the claim.

Without a warrant, your argument is _____



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- The glass is still in his hand.
- When a person falls, he usually tries to catch himself. The man would have dropped the glass.
- None of the objects on the wall are disturbed.
- When falling, the man would have tried to stop his fall and would have knocked over some of the objects on the wall.
- He is lying face up with his feet up the stairs.
- If he fell down, he would have fallen face first.

Put your money where your mouth

Data: Give specific _____ to back up

Your _____! You should be able to point to your data:



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