



This is a graded discussion: 4 points possible

due Aug 21 at 1:59am

Week 1 - Discussion Forum

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Your initial discussion thread is due on Day 3 (Thursday) and you have until Day 7 (Monday) to respond to your classmates. Your grade will reflect both the quality of your initial post and the depth of your responses. Refer to the Discussion Forum Grading Rubric under the Settings icon above for guidance on how your discussion will be evaluated.

Standard Form Arguments [WLOs: 2, 3, 4] [CLOs: 1, 2]

- Read the assigned chapters in your course textbook.
- Watch the following videos:
 - *Identifying Premises and Conclusions* [↗ \(https://youtu.be/07mehbgE5jc?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77\)](https://youtu.be/07mehbgE5jc?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77)
 - *What Is an Argument?* [↗ \(https://youtu.be/Nq8-w2BAJkU?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77\)](https://youtu.be/Nq8-w2BAJkU?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77)
 - *What* [↗ \(https://youtu.be/AIRYrBFoQqA?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77\)](https://youtu.be/AIRYrBFoQqA?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77) *Is a Good Argument? (Part I)* [↗ \(https://youtu.be/AIRYrBFoQqA?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77\)](https://youtu.be/AIRYrBFoQqA?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77)
 - *What Is a Good Argument?: The Logic Condition* [↗ \(https://youtu.be/bA8GuloqV60?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77\)](https://youtu.be/bA8GuloqV60?list=PLB8A5292FC68E2D77)
 - *The Value of Using Standard Form* [↗ \(https://ashford.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/Standard%2BForm%2BChris%2BFoster/0_td0lh8rb\)](https://ashford.mediaspace.kaltura.com/media/Standard%2BForm%2BChris%2BFoster/0_td0lh8rb)
- Complete the interactive module *PHI 103 Premises and Conclusions* [↗ \(https://content.bridgepointeducation.com/curriculum/file/ab3cd6a6-9052-40aa-b857-965685fcf0f1/1/PHIL103PremiseConclusion.zip/story.html\)](https://content.bridgepointeducation.com/curriculum/file/ab3cd6a6-9052-40aa-b857-965685fcf0f1/1/PHIL103PremiseConclusion.zip/story.html) .

Your instructor will choose the discussion question and post it as the first post in the discussion forum. Answer all the questions in the prompt, and read any resources that are required to complete the discussion properly. If you have not done so already, begin by

choosing a topic from the Final Paper Options list to use in your writing assignments in this course. You can find these options [here](#) or under the required resources for the course.

Guided Response: In addition to your original post, post a minimum of three responses for a total of at least four posts. At least two responses must be to your classmates; the third response could be to a classmate or your instructor. Be sure to post on three separate days throughout the week to promote further engagement and discussion. Each response should be a minimum of 75 words.



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3:50pm

Hello everyone,

This week our discussion will be about arguments and standard form. Understanding these two terms is going to be really important for moving forward.

First, I want everyone to think about the benefits of using standard form, and possibly the limitations of this standard form. What do we gain from using standard form to evaluate arguments? What are the benefits of the standard form when it comes to understanding an argument?

And, second, I'm curious if you think it is possible for every argument to be represented in standard form. Are there some arguments that cannot be put in standard form, and if so, why? Feel free to use examples from everyday life, movies, books, tv, etc.

Please note that you must post one original post and then three comments in response to your classmates in order to receive full credit.

