

HANDOUT 3.10E Finding Evidence for Beliefs

1. In groups, find one belief statement that you all checked and agree with.
2. What do you think?
 - Individually brainstorm specific evidence from reading, observation, and experience that support your point of view. Evaluate the evidence and evidence source. Employ laterality.

BELIEF:

Evidence from reading with justification of source, evaluation of evidence, how it matches other sources and evidence (lateral reading)	Evidence from observation, how it matches other evidence (laterality)	Evidence from personal, lived-through experience, how it matches others' experience (laterality)

3. Share and vote for the best piece of support within your group.
 - “Bestness” should be measured by direct connection to belief, criteria for strong evidence, for laterality, and should be accepted on these bases without “raised eyebrows.”
4. Share with the whole class and they will determine what they think the support is showing.

Extension: Compose a “This I Believe” essay based on your findings.