

PodClass Handout Week 10

Examples

Are you still stealing from your roommate?

When did you stop beating your partner?

Do you still smoke?

Give the teachers a cost of living adjustment and school supplies, or do not raise taxes.

Disjunctive syllogism

$P \vee Q$

$\sim Q$

$\therefore P$

If you don't like America, then you can leave.

Noisy children are a real headache.

Two aspirin will make a headache go away.

Therefore, two aspirin will make noisy children go away.

The laws imply law givers.

There are laws of nature.

Therefore, there must be a cosmic law giver.

The funding for uniform officers has decreased.

Therefore, the police have been defunded.

The overall budget for police has not changed.

Therefore, the police have not been defunded.

I need more than chocolate, and for that matter I need more than vanilla. I believe we need freedom and choice when it comes to ice cream, and that is the definition of liberty.

Child: I am done eating

Parent: There are starving children in the world, so you should finish your food.

Student: The opinions of students is completely ignored when deciding on changes to the curriculum. Students should have a greater voice in campus governance because they have a very great stake in the institution.

Faculty: The faculty are the ones who need a greater voice. Professors can be fired without explanation, and they have no control over who is promoted or given tenure, and their opinions about budgetary allotment are completely ignored.