

The Craft of Research: Chapters 7-11

Write at least 2 brief responses to each of the following questions:

Chapter 7: Making Good Arguments

1. Based on your research, what are some of the claims you intend to make? (p. 111)
2. How will you know if your claims are appropriately supported? (p. 111-121)

Chapter 8: Making Claims

3. Of the five types of claims listed, what types of claims are you making in your paper? Why? (p. 122-124)
4. Ask your mentor for help in understanding if your claims are specific enough and precise enough. (p.14-128)
5. What are some of the limitations of your research? (For example, if you are writing about the church's role in helping alcoholics, you would not be adding research about the church's role in childhood abuse. While that is interesting, it is not a part of your research and will confuse you about your topic.) (p. 129-131)

Chapter 9: Assembling Reasons and Evidence

6. List at least three reasons that your research is significant. (p. 132-135)
7. How does the research support your reasons? (p.135-140)

Chapter 10: Acknowledgments and Responses

8. Be sure to list a few points of view regarding your topic. Remember, this is a research paper and not a personal position paper. You are not trying to prove anything. You are reporting what the research says. There will be differing points of view.