

what is it tho?

**ECONOMICS**

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how to make and evaluate claims

# **ARGUMENTATION**

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## Facts

Verifiable and  
consistently  
validated true

## Untested Claims

Verifiable but  
haven't been or  
cannot presently  
be

## Opinions

An untestable  
belief or  
personal report

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## Positive

how the world is.

the sea level is rising.

it is 80 degrees fahrenheit in  
this room.

## Normative

how the world should be.

the government's primary  
focus should be climate  
change.

it is too cold.



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- **Logic: The sea reflects the color of the sky**
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# Argumentation

## Making a Claim

The sea is orange because the sky is orange.

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  - Can the premise be validated?
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# ARGUMENTATION

- Make a claim
- With your neighbor(s), locate the premise and the logic.
- Is it valid?



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