

AAUI quiz continued:

From a student paper on the health effects of smoking:

(2) Researchers are studying the impact of maternal smoking on premature birth. An article in the Ladies Home Journal reports “A young mother said she knew the premature birth of her baby was related to her smoking and occasional drinking. Her baby was born six weeks early and weighed in at 4 pounds, 6 ounces.”

Evaluate: Does information in the text above support using the underlined research source to report the impact of smoking during pregnancy?

- *Is the source authoritative? (Authoritative = Are the author or publisher’s qualifications stated and adequate to use to support the claim?)*

Circle answer Yes No

Explain why you circled yes or no:

- *Is the source relevant to the argument? Yes No*

Explain:

- *Is the source time-appropriate? Yes No*

Explain:

AAUI quiz continued:

From a student paper advocating for the potential legalization of marijuana:

4). Advocates of legalization of marijuana also point to the overloading of our U.S. prison system with inmates convicted not of dealing marijuana, but merely for possession of marijuana. According to Change the Climate.Org, among the Americans charged with marijuana violations in 2007, 88 percent were charged with possession only. The “Change the Climate” website says “According to the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s Uniform Crime report, 45 percent of all drug arrests in the United States in 2007 were for marijuana violations.” If marijuana were legalized, law enforcement could be redirected to more serious crime.

Evaluate. Does the information in the text above support using the underlined research source to make a claim in favor of the legalization of marijuana?

- ***Is the source authoritative? (Authoritative = Are the author or publisher’s qualifications stated and adequate to use to support the claim?)***

Circle answer

Yes

No

Explain why you circled yes or no:

- ***Is the source relevant to the topic?***

Yes

No

Explain:

- ***Is the source time-appropriate?***

Yes

No

Explain:
