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What is a

POINT?

Your point should link to the **THESIS STATEMENT** from your introduction.

Your point should be written in one clear sentence.

Your point is the main idea that you want to develop in the paragraph.

There should only be **ONE** main point in each paragraph.

Your **POINT** becomes the topic of your whole paragraph.

Point = Topic Sentence.

Make your point convincing by elaborating on it.

Define your terms.

Put your point into context.

Explain the significance of your point.

Your **POINT** should use the key words from the essay question.

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A quotation from the text you have studied, or other specific details.

Facts or statistics.

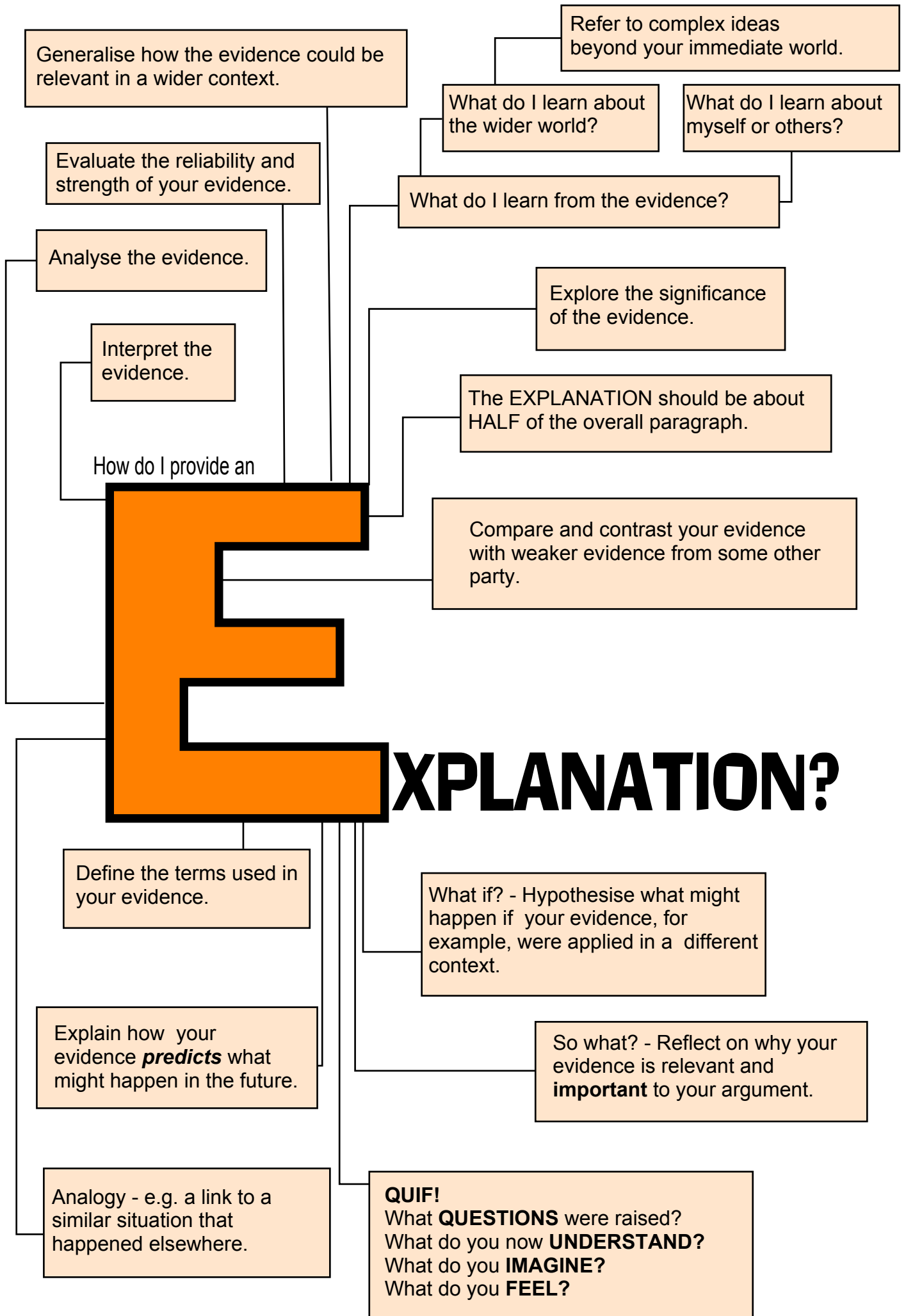
Statements from experts.

An anecdote - a short story from your personal experience.

Hypothetical examples
(What if ...)

Real life examples.

Results from surveys or experiments.



The point made at the start of the paragraph must link to the Thesis Statement in your Introduction.

Your EXPLANATION must LINK to the POINT made at the start of the paragraph.

Link explanation to the question and the outside world.

How do I

Link explanation to the question and the author's purpose.

LINK ?

Link explanation to the question and your own cultural background.

Link explanation to the question and to personal experience.

Link explanation to the question and to the experiences of teenagers.

Your final sentence in the paragraph should LINK to your next point.

Link explanation to the question and to other literature. What does it reveal about literature?