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Evaluating Full Arguments

Objective: Read each passage and answer the questions. Then evaluate how **strong** the overall argument is.

1. Passage: All students should take computer coding classes. Coding teaches problem-solving and logic, and it's an important skill for future careers. However, not every student learns the same way, and some may find it frustrating. Even so, just like we require math or reading, coding is becoming a basic skill in today's world.

Questions:

Claim: _____   Evidence: _____

Counterclaim included? Yes / No   Strength: Strong / Moderate / Weak

Why?

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2. Passage: Middle schoolers shouldn't have social media accounts. Kids at this age are still learning how to deal with emotions, and social media can increase anxiety. One report found that middle school students who used social media daily were more likely to feel left out or sad. Others say it helps them stay connected, but in-person connection is more meaningful at this age.

Questions:

Claim: _____   Evidence: _____

Counterclaim included? Yes / No   Strength: Strong / Moderate / Weak

Why?

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3. Passage: Students should be allowed to grade their teachers. Teachers evaluate us, so we should get to give feedback too. Some students say this would be a fun way to share their opinions. But critics say that students might not be fair or might just rate teachers based on how strict they are.

Questions:

Claim: _____   Evidence: _____

Counterclaim included? Yes / No   Strength: Strong / Moderate / Weak

Why?