

Policy Perspectives Answer Key

1-2. Central Claim of Passage A and B

- UBI is a just and necessary policy to ensure dignity and security in the face of technological change.
- UBI is harmful because it discourages work ethic, fosters dependency, and threatens economic sustainability.

3-4. Positive Bias in Passage A

- "moral commitment to human dignity"
- "justice long overdue"

Negative Bias in Passage B

- "reckless and irresponsible"
- "dangerous distraction"

5. Appeals to Emotion & Tradition

- Passage A appeals more to **emotion (pathos)**, using words like "dignity," "fear of poverty," and "justice."
- Passage B appeals more to **tradition and values**, stressing "hard work," "self-reliance," and "ethic that built this nation."

6. Evaluation (Model Answer)

Student answers may vary. A strong response could be: *Passage A is more convincing because it addresses future economic realities like automation and frames UBI as justice rather than handouts. However, some may find Passage B stronger for its emphasis on sustainability and traditional values.*

Teacher Notes

- Encourage students to avoid saying only which side they "agree with." Push them to explain **why** one argument is stronger based on evidence, tone, and logic.
- Extension: Stage an in-class **mini-debate** where half the class defends Passage A and the other half Passage B. Then assign a synthesis writing task where students propose a compromise solution.