

# COMMON LOGICAL FALLACIES

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There are many types of fallacies. Here are some of them. Match the types of fallacies to their examples.

## Types of Fallacies

- a) Authority
- b) General opinion
- c) Tradition
- d) Hasty conclusion
- e) Over-generalisation
- f) Example
- g) Analogy

## Argument Examples

1. The success of mass poverty combating policies based on economic growth in China, India and Brazil clearly illustrates why macroeconomic stability is the key factor in poverty reduction.
  2. Peter Cowen believes that university education should not be free because people do not usually put a high value on what they get for free. Because Peter works hard and can afford higher tuition fees at university, he is certain that anyone can earn enough to be able to pay tuition fees.
  3. While chatting to the President of Russia, Vladimir V. Putin, the Czech President, Miloš Zeman, suggested journalists should be liquidated. This is why democratic countries should follow this idea and start killing journalists.
  4. The smoking ban resulted in 9% fewer people being admitted to hospital with heart attacks in the first year of enforcement. The number of smokers has not decreased. Therefore, the fall in admissions is the result of the declining exposure to second-hand smoke.
  5. More than 60 percent of Czechs support the death penalty; polls show. The Parliament should, therefore, re-establish this form of punishment into the Czech legal system.
  6. Parents have employed spanking as a disciplinary method for thousands of years and, therefore, there is no reason to view this as child abuse.
  7. The national budget deficit acts like a metastasizing cancer. The danger is it can destroy the country's economy from within. But similarly with cancer, an effective means for the national debt treatment is very limited.
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