



At 5 '6 and a hundred and ten pounds, Queenie rushed out of the house after an argument with her husband, Arthur, who was 5 '10 and a hundred and fifty pounds. She went to the country club where there was a party going on. She left the club shortly before 1:00 AM and invited a few of her friends to follow her home and have one more drink. They got to Queenie's house about ten minutes after her. Queenie then met them at the door and said, "Something terrible happened. Arthur slipped and fell on the stairs. He was coming down for another drink—he still had the glass in his hand—and I think he's dead. Oh, my God—what shall I do?" The autopsy conducted later concluded that Arthur had died from a wound on the head and confirmed that he'd been drunk.

## Directions:

Your task is to investigate the “observable evidence” (the story and the picture) and to then determine what may have happened. Based on your analysis of the evidence, **you will make a claim about whether or not Queenie is telling the truth.**

**Step 1:** Find all the evidence you can that indicates whether or not Queenie is telling the truth. Make a list of all the evidence. *Evidence includes concrete, observable information; personal testimony; written documents; and material objects and their condition or appearance.*

**Step 2:** Next, explain the reason that upholds each piece of evidence you found. Remember: reasoning is a logical thinking process that “connects the dots” between the evidence and your claim.

Evidence:	Reasoning

*(Make sure to double-check with your group!)*

**Step 3:** Based on the evidence you found and the reasons listed above, you'll write a claim stating whether or not Queenie is telling the truth. Does the evidence add up? Is Queenie telling the truth?

**This is where it all comes together!**

Claim:

**Step 4:** To wrap things up, you'll create a news headline using your claim that will show up for people to read in the papers next day (it should capture the most essential aspects of your argument, so try to imagine what you'd want a headline to tell you about this situation).

**Headline:** -----