

Scenario:

Caleb has been accused of armed robbery and attempted murder. I am the prosecuting attorney. You are the jury. Your job is to evaluate my argument and decide if Caleb is innocent or guilty.

**Case 1:** I come before you and begin laying evidence out on the table. "Here is the money, here is the gun, and here is the surveillance tape." I sit down, resting my case. Is Caleb guilty? What is missing from my argument?

**Case 2:** I come before you and lay out three pieces of evidence. "Here is the surveillance tape from the convenient store where the crime occurred." I play the video and pause it when the perpetrator comes into view. "Here on the video we see the defendant, Caleb, enter the convenient store carrying a gun. He turns and waves to the camera, walks to the clerk, points the gun. The clerk hands over the money, Caleb fires the gun, the clerk falls. Caleb leaves the store with the gun and the money." I pause. "Here is the money, with serial numbers matching those given to the store by the bank earlier that morning; the money was found in Caleb's possession, and his fingerprints were found all over the money. The forensics lab analyzed the fingerprints and found that the prints were a ten-point match for Caleb's prints." I pause, producing the lab report. "Finally, here is the gun, found in Caleb's possession, and also bearing his prints. The bullet recovered from the clerk exhibited the same striations as the interior of this gun barrel." I produce the forensics report supporting this claim. "You can clearly see that this bullet matches the gun which was found in the possession of the defendant. Furthermore, the lab found the GSR—or gunshot residue—on the gun and store counter matches that found on the defendant's clothing and hands." I sit down, resting my case. Is Caleb guilty? How is this argument different than the one before?

Evidence → Support your argument

- Facts / Statistics

- Story that illustrates your point

↳ Personal experiences

- Textual / Quotes

\* EXPLAIN your evidence  
(think: prosecuting attorney)