

Lesson 1: Intro to Logic

TEACHER PREPARATION

Video preparation:

Watch: [Faith and Knowledge](#)

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TEACHER GUIDE

Target Question:

What is the difference between faith and reason?

Link to presentation slides:

Confirmation Year 3: [Lesson 1 Slides](#) (Pptx. version available in download folder)

Opening:

Read or listen to today's Higher Things [Reflection](#).

Memory Work/Review

Review the Apostles' Creed

Discussion

Four Corners and the Middle. Have students pick a number between 1 and 5. Next, tell them to get up and go stand by the corresponding corner numbered on the slide (unless they choose 5, in which case they stand in the middle of the room). Next, show the "Define your term" slide. Have students discuss what they think the definition of the term is in their chosen corner and why they think that. If they get stuck, ask the group questions to help them begin thinking but don't give any

Guided Notes

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INTRO TO LOGIC

1. What is apologetics?
2. What is truth?
3. What is reason?
4. What is argument?
5. What is logic?

REFLECTION AND APPLICATION

6. Now that we've learned the definitions of the 5 new terms, can you describe a time when you had trouble defending your faith to someone? What went well? What didn't go well? What might you do differently now? Make use of the new terms in your answer.

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Essential Question for Unit 1:

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Discussion questions for AFTER confirmation class

What is apologetics?

Apologetics, simply defined, is the defense of the Christian faith. Christians engage in apologetics for the purpose of removing intellectual obstacles with reason and logic in order to increase the hearer's confidence in the message of the gospel.

What is truth?

In logic, a statement's truth value is determined by whether the claim being made represents the way the world really is. In other words, truth conforms with fact or reality.

What is reason?

Reason is the ability of applying logic by drawing conclusions from new or existing information in order to arrive at the truth.

What is argument?

Argument is the reasoning given for or against a matter under discussion by comparing evidence and giving proof.

What is logic?

Logic is the study of correct reasoning or good arguments.

Discuss the importance of "apologetics" with your confirmand. Ask them what they think the purpose is of a Christian studying logic in order to defend the Faith.