Argument Tool

Question

What is the question that you are investigating?

Claim A	Claim B
What is a claim you could argue?	What is a claim you could argue?
The evidence that supports this claim is	The evidence that supports this claim is

Scientific Reasoning: Evaluating the Evidence and Claim

Critique the quality and strength of the evidence that supports this claim.	Critique the quality and strength of the evidence that supports this claim.

Name _____

Constructing a Scientific Argument

Decide which claim you think is best supported by the evidence and scientific reasoning. Using the criteria below and the information in the boxes you have completed, write a scientific argument that includes:

- The scientific question
- Your claim (that is best supported by evidence and reasoning)
- Relevant evidence that supports your claim
- Scientific reasoning that critiques the evidence and evaluates your claim

Scientific Argument

Critique of the Rebuttal

Other people might claim _______. I think the problem with this argument is ______.