

4 The Scientific Revolution: a new way of knowing – Part 1 —Answers

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Work through these after you have tried the questions yourself.

2.1 deference to ancient authority; observation, experiment and mathematics.

2.2 it could be checked by anyone with the same instrument rather than settled by authority.

2.3 it makes the result independent of who made it, which is what turns an observation into evidence.

2.4 a method that settled natural questions invited the question whether societies could be studied the same way.

2.5 it changed how natural claims were settled, not whether religious ones were true; many practitioners were devout. \