

Exercise walk-through

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Inquiry and communication: supported rehearsal

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The method

Method — Worked example

A focused question names a system, population, outcome and boundary. Compare sources by method, purpose, date and direct relevance. Keep claim, evidence and uncertainty distinct in the process record and presentation.

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Inquiry and communication

Original classroom evidence panel for Inquiry and communication

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