

Logical Fallacies

Appeal to Pity



A logical fallacy is an illogical or misleading argument. One type of logical fallacy, called appeal to pity, means distracting from the argument by trying to get someone to feel sorry for you.

Speaker 1: It was very unkind of you to talk about me behind my back to your friends.

Speaker 2: Relationships are hard for me. My mother died when I was a small child.

DIRECTIONS: Find an example of an appeal to pity argument in the media. Answer the questions.

What is the argument/claim/appeal?

How does it appeal to pity?
