

Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Ad Hominem**



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**DIRECTIONS:** Identify the type of ad hominem in each statement.

1. My opponent has been having an affair for years, which proves he can't be trusted to run this country.

ad hominem abusive

ad hominem circumstantial

2. My opponent's business success depends on the success of the rubber industry, so he can't be trusted to make policy decisions that put the interests of the people before the interests of industry.

ad hominem circumstantial

ad feminam

3. My opponent says that I have misappropriated funds, and yet he himself was removed from office ten years ago for that very crime.

Tu quoque

poisoning the well

4. My opponent will tell you next week that he has your best interests at heart, but between now and then you should look into where his business interests lie.

ad hominem abusive

poisoning the well

5. You may recall a former senator who made this exact same argument only days before he was accused and later convicted of murdering a rival.

Tu quoque

guilt by association

6. It's well known that women of my opponent's age are ruled by hormones and therefore incapable of making sound decisions.

guilt by association

ad feminam

