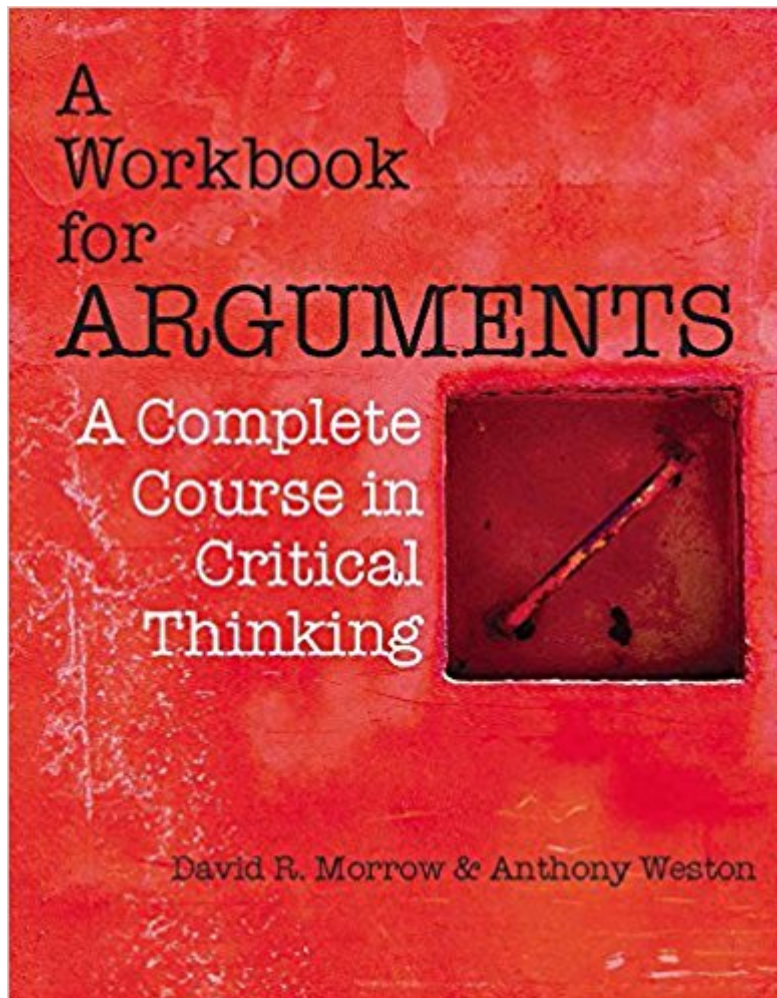




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# **A Workbook For Arguments: A Complete Course In Critical Thinking**



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