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| **Scientific Explanation Rubric -** HS-LS4-1 |
|  | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** |
| **Claim (Argument)** | Provides a clear, *strong* claim.  | Provides a clear, reasonable claim.  | Claim is present but not clear. | There is no claim or claim is not relevant to the topic. |
| **Evidence (Support)** | Evidence is sufficient and strategically selected to support the claim. | Evidence is sufficient and supports the claim. | Evidence insufficient, or misaligned to the claim. | No evidence or little evidence provided to support the claim. |
| **Analysis/ Link/ Reasoning** | Explanation of evidence provided is clear, accurate, and convincing  | Explanation of evidence provided is clear and accurate | Explanation of evidence is inadequate or inconsistent  | Explanation of evidence is missing or inaccurate |