



SOLO ACTIVITY

Credibility or Evidence

Name _____

Date _____

Experience makes a case worth hearing.
It does not make it correct.

30 to 40 minutes

On your own

Paper and pen

1 Read the two approaches

Approach A

Tim Dingle brings education, school leadership and learning science, and decades of watching learning succeed and fail in formal settings. The authority is long observation and research. It establishes why something should work and under what conditions it does not.

Approach B

Tony Walmsley brings leadership development and organisational training, where learning has to turn into behaviour against real deadlines and competing priorities. The authority is applied. It establishes what survives contact with an actual workplace.

2 Compare them

	APPROACH A	APPROACH B
What each one is in a position to claim		
What kind of credibility each brings		
Where their experience genuinely overlaps		
What each would notice first in a failing session		

3 Critique both

Strengths of A

What does research-grounded authority settle?

Limitations of A

Where does long observation stop being proof?

Strengths of B

What does applied experience demonstrate that research cannot?

Questions about B

When is practice just a longer habit?

4 Make a judgement

A strong author biography does not prove a training philosophy is correct. Say how far that holds, what this section does prove, and what it only implies.

After reading this, what I would still want evidence for is _____

