

Paper 2

Intro

- 1) Very clear and well-written intro.

Paragraph 2

- 1) You may want to define positivism
- 2) Define falsification

Paragraph 3

- 1) Need a little more about what paradigms are and what they require to be true paradigms

Paragraph 5

- 1) In your example, stick to numbers or words (ten, 20)
- 2) I'm not entirely sure your building example works. Popper's theory would make the buildings increase in a relatively linear fashion, and Kuhn's would make the pattern not linear, no matter at what "distance" you look at it. Rapid advancement in science can be observed even at the most distanced levels (the advancement in the last century is undeniably more rapid than in previous centuries).

Paragraph 7

- 1) You may want to add that without following paradigms, a scientist would have to spend a considerable amount of time proving what a paradigm normally would, thus slowing down scientific advancement considerably
- 2) May also want to say that Popper's idea of Kuhn negatively characterizing scientists is irrelevant to the correctness of his theory

Paragraph 8

1) Just because Kuhn's *entire* theory more closely resembles scientific progress doesn't mean his *specific* idea of jumps and plateaus automatically should win out over Popper's. You need to explain further why we should use this part of Kuhn's theory over a Popper's linear pattern.

Overall

- 1) A few typing mistakes throughout the paper.
- 2) You need to cite the quotations you use in your essay.
- 3) You need to use 1 inch margins with a justified alignment (instructions from Professor Kaplan)
- 4) This is an excellent paper. Very clear, concise, and well written.