BREATHE!

Objections Cheat Sheet

Form Objections

Ambiguous; Vague

Argumentative; Badgering witness (on cross)

Asked & Answered

Assumes facts not in evidence/Misstates evidence

Compound question

Leading (on direct)

Narrative, calls for

Non-responsive, answer (move to strike)

Substantive Objections

Authenticity

Competency of witness

Conclusion, calls for

Foundation, lack of

Hearsay

Opinion, improper lay opinion

Opinion, witness not qualified to offer expert opinion

Personal Knowledge

Privileged

Relevance

Speculation

Volunteered, witness spoke w/out question before him/her