

Argumentative Writing: Opposing Viewpoints Activity

Group Members' Names: _____

Topic/Issue: _____

Go to the Media Center's Website and find Opposing Viewpoints. Search for your topic and open the Overview Article and complete the blanks below.

What is the issue?

Why is it an issue?

What are some important keywords or concepts?

Find 1 article from the Featured Viewpoints section about your topic and presents an argument that you agree with.

Title of the Article: _____ Author of the Article: _____

Read the article. Note the author's argument(s) and how he or she supports it. Complete the blanks below.

Type of Appeal:

Evidence from text:

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Read one of the News articles or watch the video on the issue page. Consider how you could use information or images from it to support an argument. What could you pull from it to make an effective argument? Jot down a description or paraphrase and what type of appeal it would be helpful for on the back of this paper.