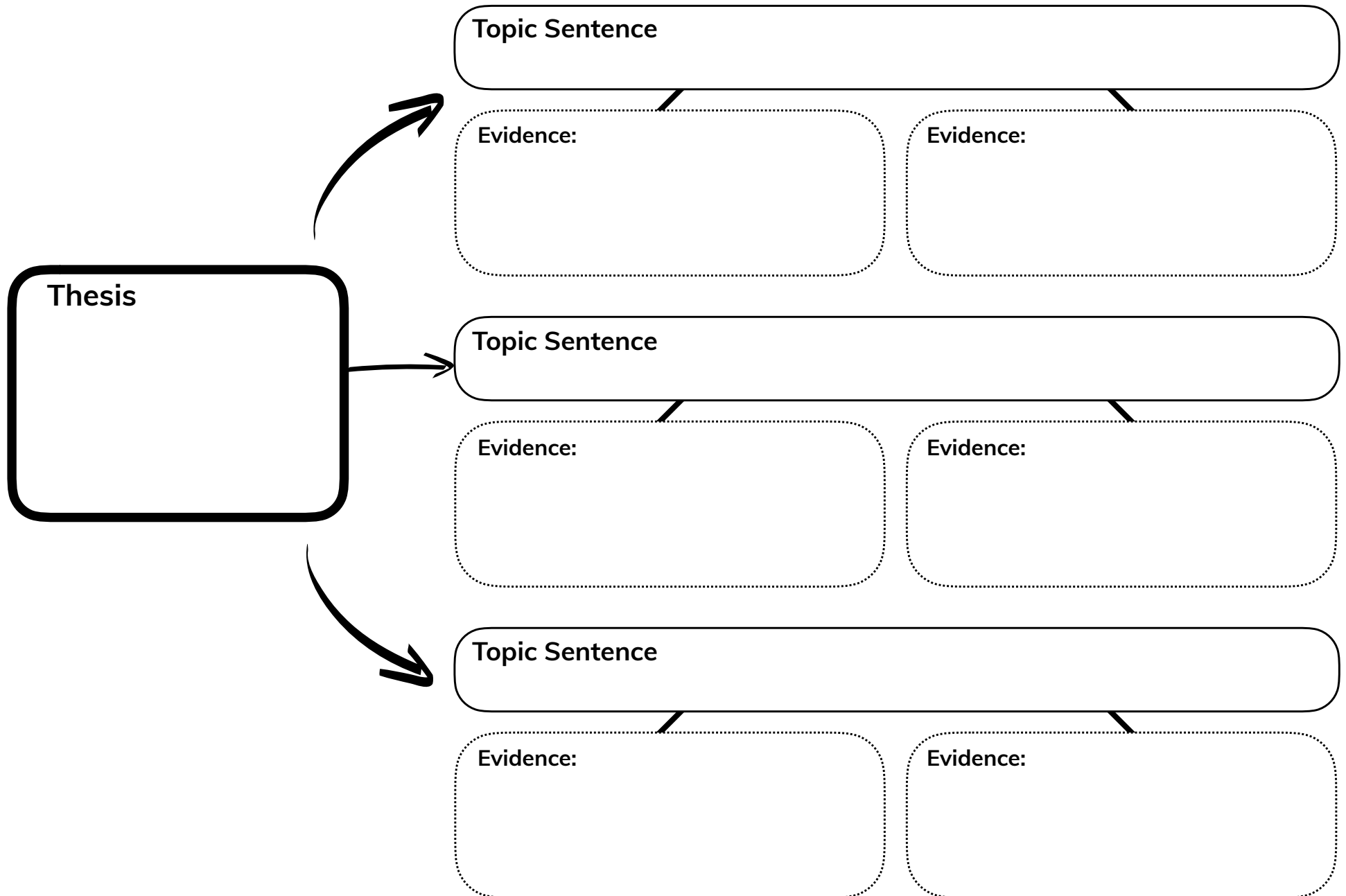


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Outline your essay by filling in your **thesis** (controversial opinion) and at least two **topic sentences** (claims) to support it. Then, add **evidence** (statistics, quotes, or examples) to support each topic sentence.



The diagram shows a central box labeled "Thesis" on the left. Three arrows point from this box to three separate rows on the right. Each row consists of a rounded rectangular box labeled "Topic Sentence" at the top. Below each "Topic Sentence" box are two smaller, rounded rectangular boxes with dotted borders, each labeled "Evidence:". The arrows indicate that the thesis statement informs and supports the topic sentences, which in turn are supported by evidence.

**Thesis**

**Topic Sentence**

**Evidence:**

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