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Date _____

1. Write down the topic or prompt in your own words.

Topic/Prompt

2. Write down two different possible controversial opinions about the topic or prompt. Then, write as many **claims** or **pieces of evidence** as you can to support each opinion.

Opinion 1

Claims/Evidence

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Opinion 2

Claims/Evidence

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3. Decide which opinion you could argue most convincingly. Now, sum that idea up in a single, clear sentence. This is your **thesis statement**.

Thesis Statement