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| <b>TOPIC:</b>   |  | <b>Research Question:</b>  |  |
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| <b>THESIS/ CENTRAL ARGUMENT: Must specifically answer your RESEARCH QUESTION and explicitly name your TOPIC</b> |  |  |  |
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| <b>CLAIM 1: Each claim should be organized to defend your central argument.</b>                                 |  |  |  |
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| <b>EVIDENCE: Include Source Creds</b>   |  | <b>EVIDENCE: Include Source Creds</b>  |  |
| Evidence MUST include facts, statistics, expert opinion. Cite your SOURCES <u>EVERY TIME</u> .                  |  |  |  |
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| <b>COUNTERARGUMENT:</b>   |  |  |  |
| What are the claims of those who argue against your position?   |  | Can you acknowledge the point while also making clear why your central argument stands against it? |  |
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| <b>CONCLUSION: Restate Thesis, Review Evidence, Relate to the Importance of the Topic with a CALL TO ACTION</b> |  |  |  |
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