Outline Tool

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| **Directions:** Organize your claims on the Outline Tool below. State the significance of each claim, and then provide compelling and relevant evidence and reasoning to support each claim. Finally, provide a strong counterclaim that challenges your central claim. Include supporting claims, evidence, and limitations of the counterclaim. |

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| [Introduction]  **Problem-Based Question:**  **Central Claim:** | | |
| [Body] **Supporting** **Claim**: | | |
| **Significance of Supporting Claim:** | | |
| **Evidence:** | **Reasoning:** *How does the evidence support your claim?* | |
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| **Evidence**: | | **Reasoning:** *How does the evidence support your claim?* |
| **Counterclaim (*to the central claim)*:** | | |
| **Supporting Claim (for the counterclaim):** | | |
| **Evidence:** | | **Reasoning:** *How does this evidence support the counterclaim?*  **Limitation(s):** |
| **Supporting Claim (for the counterclaim):** | | |
| **Evidence:** | | **Reasoning:** *How does this evidence support the counterclaim?*  **Limitation(s):** |
| [Conclusion]  **Restate Central Claim:** | | |

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