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| Step One: Pick a **perspective** of a character (circle one). Draw your character. | Step 2: Pick a Side (circle one) **positive** or **negative** |
| Step 3: State your CLAIM (your opinion)   * I believe that this * In my opinion, this * The issue before us is * The question everyone is asking is | Step 4: Give 3 reasons to support your claim. Use these transition words to help you.   * Sequence: To begin with, First of all, second, third, finally, last * Addition: Additionally, also, further, then, another reason is * To illustrate: For example, for instance, to illustrate |
| Step 5: Write a conclusion:   * In conclusion, * In summary, * I strongly recommend that * After considering these reasons, I know you will agree that * There is no other solution but…because… | BONUS: include a counter argument from a different perspective.   * Some people may believe…but * Although some believe…in my experience… * Even though many people feel…in reality… * It is easy to see why some people believe…however… |
| Write your argument here: Use the back of the paper if needed:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |