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**Critical Reading and Writing Questions**

1. What is the main **claim** in the article?

2. Give 2 examples of specific, textual evidence—facts—that **support** the author’s claim.

a.

b.

3. Find 2 examples of the author’s commentary—**warrant**—that explain and tie the textual evidence (support) with the claim.

a.

b.

4. Now, **form your own claim** about the article. Remember, a claim is a general sentence with a subject and an opinion (your opinion without saying “I think.”)

5. Give 2 examples of specific, textual evidence—facts—that **support** your claim.

a.

b.

6. Write **2 warrants for each support** (#5 above) that further explain and tie your supports (specific textual evidence) with your claim.

1a.

2a.

1b.

2b.