



DEFINING YOUR ARGUMENT

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An "arguable thesis" is a position statement. Think of it as a way to start a conversation with someone about your topic. This will help you start thinking about your topic and to identify keywords you can use.

Arguable Thesis: _____

At the top of each column, write down keywords which relate to the main idea of your arguable thesis. Then, under each keyword, write down synonyms or similar terms you can use for your main idea(s). Example: "Firearms legislation" is similar to "gun control".

1st Concept

2nd Concept

3rd Concept

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