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Thesis Builder

Build a focused claim for an argument or analytical essay.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Understand the prompt

What question must your essay answer?

Take a position

What is your answer or interpretation?

Choose your reasons

List two or three reasons or patterns you can support with evidence.

Explain the significance

Why should your reader care about this claim?

Draft your thesis

Combine your claim and key reasoning in one or two sentences.

Check and refine

Is it specific, debatable, and supported by the evidence you have?

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