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# Research Paper: Choosing & Developing Your Topic

## Persuasive Essay Topic Form & Working Thesis

1. Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is **your opinion (position)** on the topic?

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3. **Why** do you feel this way? You need **at least three** reasons. These will be 3 arguments in body of essay, which you will research to find material that “backs up” your reasons!

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: Reasons need to be well thought out---not basic/generic/boring)

**Combine your opinion/reasons into a working thesis statement on the lines below.**

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