

# Planning for Research/Analysis

Complete the chart to help in planning your research or analysis essay.

CLAIM OR THESIS STATEMENT	
INTRODUCTION	
This will be an overview of your essay, including your claim or thesis statement.	
SUPPORTING POINT 1	
<i>Evidence 1</i> <small>(facts, quotes, statistics, examples, details, anecdotes)</small>	1.
	2.
	3.
<i>Discussion 1</i> <small>(how the evidence ties into the claim or thesis statement)</small>	1.
	2.
	3.
<i>"So what?" statement</i>	
SUPPORTING POINT 2	
<i>Evidence 2</i> <small>(facts, quotes, statistics, examples, details, anecdotes)</small>	1.
	2.
	3.
<i>Discussion 2</i> <small>(how the evidence ties into the claim or thesis statement)</small>	1.
	2.
	3.
<i>"So what?" statement</i>	
SUPPORTING POINT 3	
<i>Evidence 3</i> <small>(facts, quotes, statistics, examples, details, anecdotes)</small>	1.
	2.
	3.
<i>Discussion 3</i> <small>(how the evidence ties into the claim or thesis statement)</small>	1.
	2.
	3.
<i>"So what?" statement</i>	
CONCLUSION	
This will be a brief summary of your main points and the overall answer to the "So what?" question.	