

Opinion-Proof

Purpose:

Activity can be used as prewriting for a persuasive essay or to prepare for a class debate.

Materials:

Reliable sources like newspapers or journals for student research

Procedure:

Have students create a chart (like the one that follows), placing an opinion they have on their own in the left-hand column and facts to back-up the opinion statement in the right-hand column. The facts can be gathered from a text or newspaper or other reliable source.

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[Place opinion statement here]	- [List series of facts gained from research here]

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