

Five Square Notes

This is a graphic organizer that can be used to make sure the evidence you assemble and the essay you write focuses on and answers all aspects of the prompt or task you are asked to fulfill. This can be done on any blank piece of paper.

- 1) Fold a paper so that there are four squares present on the page when unfolded again
- 2) Label the squares.
- 3) Fill out the top two boxes
- 4) Fill out the TAP
- 5) Write your claim/your answer

<p>Prompt Part #1: <i>-Write: What is the first question/topic the prompt asks you to answer?</i> <i>-Write: Your answer to the question</i></p> <p><i>List 4 relevant pieces of evidence that can be used to answer that question (quotes, data, expert testimony) helps answer it?</i></p>	<p>Prompt Part #2: <i>-Write: What is the second question/topic the prompt asks you to cover?</i> <i>-Write: Your answer to the question</i></p> <p><i>List 4 relevant pieces of evidence that can be used to answer that question (quotes, data, expert testimony) helps answer it?</i></p>
<p>Task: What is the type of writing you have to do? (essay, letter, report, article, how-to guide, etc.?)</p> <hr/> <p>Audience: Who is the writing directed toward?</p> <hr/> <p>Purpose: What are you trying to do with the writing? (inform, persuade, entertain, evaluate)</p> <hr/>	<p>Write your answer to both questions. This is your claim/the point you are trying to prove.</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

Counter-Claim

-Write: What is the other side saying about the question and why are they wrong

-Write: *Your answer to the question*

<i>Evidence the other side might use</i>	<i>Why that evidence is sufficient</i>

(This paragraph must present an opposing claim and then refute it)

