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Date: _____

RESEARCH SUMMARY #1

Writing Workshop #2

THESIS: _____

- In a single sentence, what is the **MAIN IDEA** of this article?
- *Think: If I could only tell someone one thing about this current event, what would I say?*
- You should have a single subject and a single verb.

WHY? (REASON) _____

- In a single sentence, why is the thesis happening?
- In other words, explain what the reasoning is behind the main idea.

WHY? (SUPPORT) _____

- In a single sentence, what is the support or evidence for the reason?
- This sentence is supporting the previous sentence.
- This sentence should provide evidence in the form of statistics, examples, quotes, etc.

COUNTERCLAIM: _____

- In a single sentence, what is the opposing side saying in response to the thesis?
- This sentence can provide a quote or example.
- You must state if the opposing side's response is unknown.

CONCLUSION: _____

- In a single sentence, what is the resolution of the thesis?
- This sentence should state how the thesis has been resolved or how it will be resolved.
- *THIS SENTENCE IS NOT A RESTATEMENT OF THE THESIS.*

FINAL SUMMARY:

On the lines below, write your finalized summary of this current event article. Challenge yourself by including sentence transitions and a variety of sentence structures.
