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Persuasive Writing - Prewriting Graphic Organizer
(For Answering a Test Prompt with Given Sources)

Title
Topic _____: Position _____

Paragraph #1 – Introduction

Question about topic: _____

_____? General answer: _____

_____. Statement showing

what a careful examination of given sources reveals: _____

_____.

Thesis statement (topic + position + 3 reasons for position: _____

_____.

Paragraph 2 – Reason #1: _____

Evidence supporting Reason 1:

(Authors' names, article titles, facts, details, and examples from given sources):

Paragraph 3 – Reason #2: _____

Evidence supporting Reason 2:

(Authors' names, article titles, facts, details, and examples from given sources):

Paragraph 4 – Reason #3: _____

Evidence supporting Reason 3:

(Authors' names, article titles, facts, details, and examples from given sources):

Paragraph 5 – Opposing View + Rebuttal: _____

Statement including your view + opposing view: _____

Evidence supporting opposing view:

(Authors' names, article titles, facts, details, and examples from given sources):

Rebuttal statement (may include additional evidence): _____

Paragraph #6 – Conclusion

Restated thesis (using synonyms or different parts of speech): _____

_____.

Three sentences summarizing how each reason supports your position: _____

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_____? Concluding sentence which ends the persuasive
essay by restating your position and looking toward the future: _____

_____.