MOVES WRITERS MAKE WHEN THEY ORGANIZE AN OPINION:

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A:

First I Thought This

Then I Learned This

Now I Think This

B.

My Claim

Reason #1

Reason #2

Reason #3

In the End

C.

Overview of the Issue

One side thinks

Another side thinks

I believe

D.

My claim

How I know this

Another way I know this

Another way I know this

In the end

E.

Overview of the Issue

Here's what I am thinking

A question some people raise

My answer to that question

In the end

F.

My Claim

Why I Believe This

However, I am still wrestling with

Which makes me think now

G.

One aspect of the issue

Another aspect of the issue

Another aspect of the issue

And so my claim

H.

My claim on the issue

In addition, I'll add

In addition, I'll add

Refined Claim