Sample Group Activity

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DIRECTIONS:

1. Pull your chairs together in a circle.

2. Agree on one person to read these instructions to the group. This person will be the Facilitator and ensure that everyone participates.

3. Agree which person will record your views. This Recorder also speaks for the group.

4. Agree which person will be the Time Keeper. This person divides up labor and regulates the time spent on each task.

5. Agree which person will be the Leader. If you do not complete the task, this person delegates the remaining work to members, collects it, and then turns it into the instructor.

6. You can delegate another person(s) to be the Researcher. This person can ask expertise questions of the instructor and search for information found in the textbooks, notes, or other sources.

7. Review the Recorder’s notes to see that they accurately express the views of the group.

8. Each member should copy these notes into their individual notebook.

9. A final copy should be given to the instructor.

GROUP TASK: Define Proposal Arguments

- List several characteristics of proposal arguments. How do they achieve their ultimate goal of getting something done?

- Why is it necessary to relate a proposal claim to a need or problem?

- What must the evidence do in a Proposal Argument?

- In your groups, look at the issue of

- Write a complete Toulmin thesis statement for your claim.