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Rhetorical Notes

What is the Subject?	

What is the author's claim, or main idea, about this subject?
• Name
• Author
• Genre
• Title
• Date
• Rhetorical Verb
  • *Argues*
  • *Claims*
  • *Suggests*
  • (Or similar verbs)
	(Write it as a statement using the guidelines listed to the left.)

List three key points (quotations or examples) the author makes to illustrate and/or support this claim.	
How does the author develop and support this claim? Focus on: • Strategies • Devices • Organization	
What is the author's purpose? *The author attempts to persuade the reader to…* *in order to…*	

Summarize the author's argument, focusing on the subject, purpose, and rhetorical strategies used to achieve that purpose.

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