OVERVIEW OF THE ARGUMENT (Answer the following questions, either one by one or in paragraph form. I realize that, for some issues, the answers may overlap. Just do your best to include all of the requested information.)

What is the argument? State the different sides/views to illustrate the disagreement. Who is arguing about this?
When did people begin arguing about this issue and why? What PROBLEM(S) are people trying to solve?
What's at stake? Think: Outcomes, Resources, Priorities, Values, Emotions, etc.
Why are people arguing (What is CAUSING people to argue—why can't people agree)? (5 points):

List three possible argumentative questions in this area that could provide a focus for an 1100-1300 word essay.

NOTE: Argumentative Questions should be written AS QUESTIONS that can be answered "yes" or "no" and argued either way. Thus, the answers to these questions should be debatable, not factual. (3 points)

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3.

List a Potential Claim that Could be Made (most likely this claim will be a response to one of the above questions).

PRO—What person or group would support this claim and what arguments/reasons would they offer? (4 points)

__________________________________ would argue

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CON—What person or group would dispute this claim and what arguments/reasons would they offer? (4 points)

__________________________________ would argue

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