

Join the Conversation

Reflect on the social issue you have been studying and researching.

- Use the questions below to focus your thinking.
- Come to class with a working claim.
- Identify key evidence to support and counter the claim.



What is the heart of the issue? What is at stake?

Why do I want to raise or add my voice to call attention to this issue?

What event, research, or concern drives me to get involved?

What has kept me from acting? What keeps others from acting?

What are the multiple views already in the conversation?

What seems most relevant to me?

What seems most relevant to others?

How does some evidence seem weak or limited?

How will I change the conversation?

What point, research finding, value, or focus will be a sticking point for people who disagree with me?

What is most essential for a reader to understand so they can see the issue in a new way?

Who must act? What kinds of actions are required?

MY CLAIM: _____
