

Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Conflicting Viewpoints**



# Does Everyone Agree?

It is a fact of life that you will never get a unanimous opinion about anything. Knowing this, writers often anticipate and refute counterarguments in their writing in an attempt to make their arguments stronger.

**DIRECTIONS:** Read the assigned text. Think about how the author builds his or her argument, including how conflicting viewpoints are handled. Identify each conflicting viewpoint below. Then briefly describe how the author refutes or discredits this viewpoint in an attempt to bolster his or her own point of view.

What is the author's point of view? \_\_\_\_\_

Conflicting Viewpoint: \_\_\_\_\_

Author's response:

Conflicting Viewpoint: \_\_\_\_\_

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Author's response:

Identify the different techniques the author uses to refute or discredit the conflicting viewpoints.

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