**Library Exercise Sheet**

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| **Your Name** | | | | | | | |
| **1** | **Choose your topic (Argumentative Essay)** | | | | | | |
|  | | | | | # of sources Kind of sources  Length:  Other requirements: | | |
| **2** | **Brainstorm about your topic. (use the calculator)** | | | | | | |
| Who? (People, Organizations, Kinds of People)  What?  Where? (assumption—U.S., NM, ?)  When? (assumption—now?)  Why?  How | | | | | Pros | | Cons |
| **3a** | **Find resources.** | | | | | | |
| **Choose 1 tool to search from A, B. or C.** | | 1. **LIBROS** 2. **Issues & Controversies or Points of View or .Opposing Views** 3. **Academic Search Complete or ProQuest** | | | | **Key words used** | |
| Circle tool write keywords, write (copy and paste) brief citation of source in box.  ] | | | | | | | |
| **3b** | **Find resources. (you search)** | | | | | | |
| **Choose a different tool to search from A, B. or C.** | | 1. **LIBROS** 2. **Issues & Controversies or Points of View or .Opposing Views** 3. **Academic Search Complete or ProQuest** | | | | **Key words used** | |
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| **3c** | | Compare your results with your neighbor: Which tool did you like best? Why? | | | | | |
| **4** | **Evaluate your resource (TRAP).** | | | | | | |
| **Timeliness** | | | **Relevance** | **Authority** | | **Purpose** | |
| When was this published?  Is the information on the page time sensitive?  How important is "current" to the topic?  Does the date of the information affect its accuracy? | | | Does this meet the needs of my assignment?  Is it on my topic?  How deeply is my topic covered in this source?  Is the information accurate?  How would I use this source? | Who is author?  Is the author credible?  Is the publishing organization credible? | | Who is the audience?  Why was this written/published?  Does it show bias? | |
| **5** | **Comments.** | | | | | | |
|  | **Which source are you most likely to use? And why?** | | | | | | |