Collecting Research

Goal: To collect valid evidence to support your position

For each piece of evidence you find as you do research, fill out the following information (see form below):

Source: Write the name of the author or website. If the information comes from a print source, put the page. You want enough information so you can easily find the source again, but you do not need a full citation for each piece of evidence.

Then either **paraphrase**, **quote,**  or **summarize** your evidence.

Paraphrase: Rewrite the evidence using your own words. Do not copy the sentence and substitute a word or two: that constitutes plagiarism. Think about what the evidence says and rewrite it the way you would say it. Think about how you would explain the evidence to an eighth grader. You must cite a paraphrase.

Quote: When you copy the exact words someone else uses, put quotation marks around the words. Do not add any words .. You must cite a quotation.

Summary: A summary is a brief statement covering the main point. You must cite a summary—the information came from someone else.

Source:

Circle one: paraphrase quotation summary

Your evidence: