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Writing exercise 4: Evaluating views

In this exercise you will work on evaluating the two authors' views on the topic you have chosen. Your basis for evaluation might be the plausibility of the assumptions of each view, or the practicality of each view in terms of policy, or the consistency of each view with important moral or political values.

1. What topic are you working on? _____

2. Which authors are you working on? _____

3. Whose author's view is more persuasive? _____

4. a) state a specific factor that makes that author's view superior

b) state a specific factor that makes the other author's view inferior

5. a) paraphrase the passage you have brought that displays the factor you mention in 4.a
