## Creating an op-ed: A Worksheet

**Basic argument** (choose one):

* The Ocean Cleanup Array is a good idea to combat plastics pollution.
* The Ocean Cleanup Array is a bad idea to combat plastics pollution.

**Thesis** (The fundamental argument you will make, written in 1 sentence)

**Lede** (How you will draw readers into your argument; an idea or sentence)

**Argument:**

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| **Point** | **Evidence used to support point** |
| Point 1:  |  |
| Point 2:  |  |
| Point 3:  |  |

**To be sure**

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| **Possible counterargument** | **How you will handle it** |
| Counterargument 1: |  |
| Counterargument 2: |  |

**Conclusion:** (Your concrete recommendation for the reader to act on)