**Julius Caesar:**

**Argument Paper**

Argument Topic: Did the conspirators do the right thing by assassinating Caesar?

Your job is to convince the reader to believe your argument!!

Evidence/Support: Cite examples from the play.

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| The conspirators did the right thing by assassinating Caesar. | The conspirators were wrong to assassinate Caesar. |
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Your Claim (must contain a position and two reasons):

Intro paragraph: (5 sentences)

* Introduce the play.
* Introduce the argument.
* The last sentence must be your claim.

First body paragraph: (7 sentences)

* Topic Sentence: this introduces what this paragraph will be about (first reason)
* Explain your first reason: your own thoughts!!
* Use at least 2 pieces of evidence from the play to support your reasoning.

Second Body paragraph: (7 sentences)

* Topic Sentence: this introduces what this paragraph will be about (second reason).
* Explain your second reason: your own thoughts!!
* Use at least 2 pieces of evidence from the play to support your reasoning.

Third Body Paragraph: (5-7 sentences) Counterclaim

* Use the opposing evidence to disprove the other claim.

Conclusion: (5 sentences)

* First sentence is your restated claim.
* Sum up both of your reasons (do not introduce any new reasons or new evidence).
* Concluding statement: leave the reader thinking about your paper.