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# Source Analysis

*Instructions:* Read your assigned sources carefully. For each source, record the title, author (if available), the date it was published, and the name of the publication in the first column. In the second column, write down three key points from each article regarding your chosen issue and the 2020 election (For example: candidates' positions on the issue or effects of the issue on the election). Then write down at least one example or piece of supporting evidence beneath each key point. (Writers use different types of evidence to support their points. Evidence may include statistics and numbers, specific events and conditions, or what someone has been previously said or done.)

**Research topic:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Part I: Excerpts from News Articles

Key Points and Evidence	
<p>Source title:</p> <p>Author:</p> <p>Date:</p> <p>Publication name:</p>	<p>Key point:</p> <p>Evidence:</p> <p>Key point:</p> <p>Evidence:</p> <p>Key point:</p> <p>Evidence:</p>
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## Part II: Polling Data

*Instructions:* Refer to the polling data in the source for your research to complete the questions below.

1. Write down three percentages that you think are important from the poll(s) (example: “47% of Americans believe”... or “72% of Democrats think that”...).
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  
2. Interpret the three polling percentages you chose by explaining in your own words what those percentages reveal about how Americans view your chosen issue and/or the election.
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.

## Part III: Short Writing Assignment

*Instructions:* On a separate piece of paper, write a short response that answers each of the following three questions. Be sure to use specific examples from your sources to support your answers.

- What is the most important thing you learned about this issue from your research?
- How did what you learned from your research affect your views on the 2020 presidential election?
- Which of the values that you ranked earlier in the class are most connected to this issue? How and why?