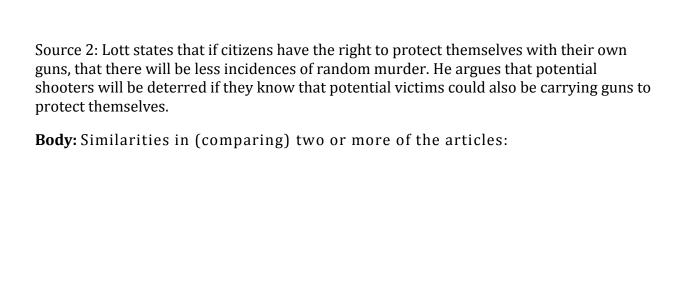
Literature Review Worksheet

Introduction: What is the topic of my literature review?
Example: Gun control in the USA
Topic sentence:
Example: The number of gun deaths in the USA is directly related to the country's gun laws.
My sources (works to be read, analyzed and cited):
1.
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Example:
Lott, John R. <i>More Guns, Less Crime: Understanding Crime and Gun-Control Laws</i> . 7 th ed. University of Chicago Press, 2010.

Body: What are the main points/arguments of my sources? How are these points supported?
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Example:
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Source 1: Smith argues that stricter gun laws will mean fewer guns in society and fewer murders. His statistics show that cities that have lower incidences of murder also have a lower number of gun sales.



Example: Smith and Lott both agree that private citizens need to go through mandatory checks to determine whether or not they are psychologically fit to be carrying firearms.

 $\boldsymbol{Body:}$ Differences in (contrasting) in two or more of the articles:

Example: Smith and Lott disagree on the level of security felt by guns owners. Conclusion: Summarizing
Example: This literature review was conducted to analyze opposing perspectives on gun laws and gun ownership in the United States.
Why is the topic of this literature review important and/or what should be the next step of this study?
Example: Further research is needed to examine recent statistics on gun control, gun ownership and gun deaths in other countries compared with that in the United States.
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