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Topic to Working Thesis

My topic:

Why does this topic interest me?

Take Inventory

What facts do I already know about this topic?

What specific opinions do I already have about these facts or this topic?

Ask Questions:

What about this topic raises your curiosity? (Substantive questions, please.)

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Working Thesis Statement: (Must be arguable!)

What is the counterargument?

(Think HARD about this! Remember a counterargument is not simply a negation of your thesis!)