PART 1: Background Information

**DIRECTIONS:** After reading and annotating your articles, answer the following context questions. This information will help you develop and write your introductory paragraph and set-up your paper for the reader.

**Your Topic (aka name of your “topic tab” on the Research Guide):**

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PART 2: Research Graphic Organizer

DIRECTIONS: After reading and annotating your articles, find claims for your paper and then write them below. Remember, the claims are answering your historical question. Once you have your claims, write out your thesis statement below and then type it into NoodleTools.

Historical Question: ________________________________________________________________

Claim 1

Claim 2

Claim 3

Thesis