Accelerated English 10 Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Block \_\_\_\_\_

Persuasive Essay

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| * Answer the following question: Was John Proctor ultimately a fool or a hero? Was it foolish to tell the truth and die or was it heroic? Consider what life would have been like if he lied-what would have happened to his wife, his sons, his life? |

***Directions:*** *Use the following T-chart to explore two opposing viewpoints. Write two opposing claims (or theses) on the two side of the chart. Then, brainstorm arguments for each. When you’re finished, list the thesis you would choose, what you believe your three strongest arguments would be, and which of the opposition’s arguments you’d take on.*

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Thesis I would choose: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Three best arguments:

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2.

3.

What will the opposition look like in the essay?