

What's the Reason?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Instructions: For each topic, circle an opinion. If you do not agree with either opinion, write and circle your own opinion about the stated topic. Then, write the matching reasons on the lines next to each opinion.

Example:

Topic: Outdoor Classroom (School Garden)

Opinion #1: It would be great for the students to start a school garden.

Opinion #2: Our school should not have a school garden.

Other opinion: **Our school should wait until next year to plant a garden.**

Reason #1: **Students can learn more about plants in the garden.**

Reason #2: **Students can have ownership of the garden.**

Reason #3: **Plants and trees can help the environment.**



Topic: New Playground Equipment

Answer Key (Answers will vary)

Opinion #1: Our school should get new playground equipment.

Opinion #2: Our school should not get new playground equipment.

Other opinion: _____

Reason #1: **Our swings have rust on them and are broken.**

Reason #2: **More children could play on the new playground.**

Reason #3: **Some of the new equipment could help children exercise.**

Topic: Best Pet to Get

Opinion #1: If you are getting a new pet, you should get a dog.

Opinion #2: If you are getting a new pet, you should get a cat.

Other opinion: _____

Reason #1: **Cats can use a litter box so you don't have to worry about letting them outside.**

Reason #2: **Cats are mostly quiet and don't bark.**

Reason #3: **You can keep a cat inside because it doesn't need a lot of space to run.**