Topic/Prompt: Should Recreational Marijuana Be Legal?		
Hook:		
Background Information:		
Position Statement: Even though both, the proponents and opponents have strong arguments, the proponents' arguments is arestronger "because they prove that the legalization of marijuana reduces crime; it is publicly supported and" especially when they talk about "crime", marijuana legalization will reduce crime and besides with the past of the years the polls show that more people support the legalization of recreational marijuana.		
Main Idea I: Firstly, <u>the</u> proponents argue that crimes will go down when marijuana is legalized.	Main Idea 2: Secondly, the proponents affirm that more people support the legalization of recreational marijuana	
Supportive Sentence for Main Idea I: (Textual Evidence)	Supportive Sentence for Main Idea 2: (Textual Evidence)	
For example, they argue that according to "Stephen Downing, a retired deputy chief of the Los Angeles Police Department, said, there's no question that ending today's prohibition on drugs — starting with marijuana — would do more to hurt the cartels than any level of law enforcement skill or dedication ever can." (procon.org,pro5)	For example, they claim that "a A 2018 Gallup poll found a record-high 66% support for legalizing marijuana, up from 12% in 1969, the first year the polling company asked about marijuana. [249] The poll first surpassed 50% support in 2011." (procon.org,pro12)	
Supportive Sentence for M.I. #1 (Explanation of Textual Evidence)	Supportive Sentence for M.I. # 2 (Explanation of Textual Evidence)	

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This means that by controlling the market and demand of marijuana in a legal way, —there will be no space for the black market , because consumers will buy directly from companies who pay taxes and have the required licenses from the government to sell marijuana. As such, there is no reason to expose one's self to buying drugs illegally if it can be bought can bought legally.	This Suggests that every poll since 1969, has shown that more people support the legalization of marijuana, which is probably because —more people are currently consuming it for recreational use.
Counterargument (The other side's opinion with evidence)	Rebuttal (Evidence to disprove the other side)
Conclusion:	