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## The Homework Question Answer Key

Claim & Evidence Organizer (sample answers):

Claim (Author's Opinion)	Evidence (Facts/Examples Used)
Too much homework causes stress and exhaustion.	Survey: More than half of middle schoolers reported losing sleep from late-night assignments.
Limiting homework allows time for family, hobbies, and rest.	Students with free time can read for fun, play sports, and return to school refreshed.
Heavy homework doesn't always improve learning.	National Education Association: Moderate homework is more effective than hours of nightly work.

### Teacher Guide

- **Skill Development:** Students practice distinguishing **claims** (opinions/arguments) from **evidence** (facts, examples, data). This builds critical reading and argumentative writing skills.
- **Teaching Tip:** Model with one claim first: highlight it in one color, then underline its supporting evidence in another. Have students do the same for the rest.
- **Extension Activity:** Provide a short counter-argument passage in favor of homework, and ask students to compare claims and evidence from both sides.