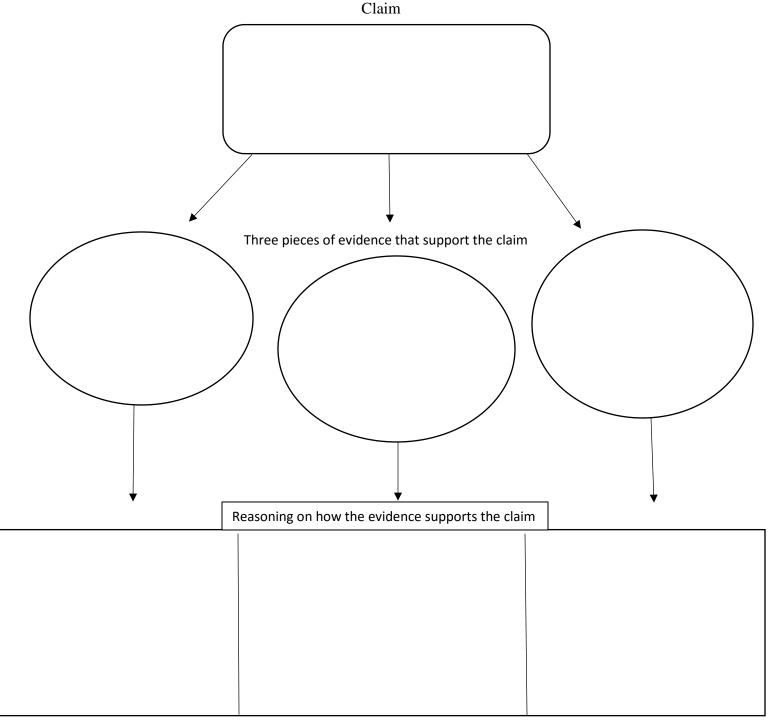
The First Genocide in the Western World Pre-Write

Task: The author, Howard Zinn, gives an alternate perspective on the long held belief that Columbus was a hero and the great explorer who discovered America. How does this article contradict this idea? Find and record what you believe to be Zinn's strongest argument (claim) in this article. Provide at least **three** pieces of evidence Zinn uses to support his claim in text, then **explain** fully and clearly how each piece of evidence supports your claim using your reasoning.



Was Christopher Columbus really the holiday-worthy hero he is made out to be?