Week 2 Assignment: Research Topics with Explanations

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1. The topic “Should taxes on people making over $250,000 a year be changed?” has been chosen because of the current debate on taxation that is one of the gravest issues facing the election run.

The audience are policy makers, corporate heads and taxation and administrative experts including monetary policy framers and analysts.

Thesis: there should be progressive taxation as people who earn more should pay more.

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2. The topic,” Should funding for the U.S. space program be changed?” has been chosen because of the huge tax payer’s money that goes into funding the space program.

The audience are all the tax payers who need to think of the funding needs of the space program and is it really needed.

Thesis:

The funding for the US space program should be changed and should be generated from the government sources.

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3. The topic “Should the Family and Medical Leave Act be changed?” has been chosen because with so many women in the work force now there should be a legal protection to women for medical issues.

The audience is all the administrators and policy makers and those in the department of labour who are discussing the FMLA.

Thesis: the FMLA is a very comprehensive act that safeguards the labour rights of the women and family members.

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