T-Chart

T-Charts are a type of chart, a graphic organizer in which a student lists and examines two facets of a topic, like the pros and cons associated with it, its advantages and disadvantages, facts vs. opinions, etc.

For example, a student can use a T-chart to help graphically organize thoughts about:

* Making a decision by comparing resulting advantages and disadvantages (like getting a pet or taking a new job),
* Evaluating the pros and cons of a topic (for example, adopting a new invention),
* Enumerating the problems and solutions associated with an action (for example, analyzing the plot of a book or a topic like poor nutrition),
* Listing facts vs. opinions of a theme (great to use after reading a selection of text or a news article),
* Explaining the strengths and weaknesses of a piece of writing (useful after reading a piece of persuasive or expository writing),
* Listing any two characteristics of a topic (like the main ideas for a given topic and a salient detail for each idea).

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