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## Gathering Evidence to Support Thesis -- Example

Motorcycles are more dangerous than cars; therefore, the minimum driving age for motorcycles should be 25.

**My thesis...**

### The Evidence I Need to Prove my Thesis

#### Categories of Facts

Health:  
 Death rate – Cars  
 Death rate – Motorcycles

Legal:  
 Current laws – states

- Age
- Equipment
- Speed

Insurance

Economics

- Cost to society

Trends over time

#### Categories of Opinions

Psychological reasons for riding motorcycles

Cultural/social reasons for riding motorcycles

Economic reasons for riding motorcycles

Law enforcement

#### Whose Point of View

Motorcycle riders

Insurance companies

Hell's Angels

Motorcycle manufacturers

Automobile manufacturers

Doctors/Health providers

Teenagers/Young people