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ACT Writing Practice

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| Throughout this unit, you’ve read multiple texts and viewed various clips that explore how people find success in life. Many people believe that only the smartest and most talented people find success. Others believe that while talent and brains are a factor, success is mostly determined by hard work, determination, and will. In your opinion, are the most successful people in the world the brightest and best in their field, or are they the hardest workers who have been most dedicated to developing their skills to achieve success? |

***Directions:*** *Use the following T-chart to explore two opposing viewpoints. Write two opposing claims (or theses) on the two side of the chart. Then, brainstorm arguments for each. When you’re finished, list the thesis you would choose, what you believe your three strongest arguments would be, and which of the opposition’s arguments you’d take on.*

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Thesis I would choose: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Three best arguments:

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Which of the opposition’s arguments would you tackle?