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Scavenger Hunt

Directions: Fill in the boxes below to explore how the authors of the letters in "Should Gum Be Allowed in School?" develop their arguments. We filled in some information for you.

	Vanessa Jacobs	Principal Mackey
line that expresses the central idea, or central claim	"I know that Stevenson has a strict no-gum policy, but after speaking to many of my peers and doing some research on the issue, I believe that this policy should be reconsidered for several reasons." (p. 24)	
two pieces of evidence that support the central idea, or central claim		
line that expresses the counterargument		"The research you presented does show that gum could benefit some students . . ." (p. 25)
line that contains the rebuttal to the counterargument		