**Argument of Evaluation Essay Construction Frick – AP Lang**

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**G**overnment and current events

**O**bservations and personal experience

**P**hilosophy and psychology

**H**istory

**E**ntertainment and pop culture

**R**eadings

**S**cience and technology

**Prompt:** A weekly feature of *The New York Times Magazine* is a column by Randy Cohen called, “The Ethicist,” in which people raise ethical questions to which Cohen provides answers. The question below is from the column that appeared on April 4, 2003.

At my high school, various clubs and organizations sponsor charity drives, asking students to bring in money, food, and clothing. Some teachers offer bonus points on tests and final averages as incentive to participate. Some parents believe that thi send a morally wrong message, undermining the value of charity as a selfless act. Is the exchange of donations for grades O.K.?

The practice of offering incentives for charitable acts is widespread, from school projects to fund drives by organizations such as public television stations, to federal income tax deductions for contributions to charities. In a well-written essay, develop a position on the ethics of offering incentives for charitable acts. Support your position with evidence from you reading, observation, and/or experience.

**Assignment:** Create and Outline for an Argument of Evaluation Essay. Use this paper (and the back). Come up with specific Gophers (above) to support your argument.