

Steelman Worksheet

A steelman is the strongest version of an argument, stated so well its supporters would say, “Yes, that’s what we believe.”

Name _____ Class / period _____ Date _____

1 My region: the one farthest from my dot, or the one my teacher assigns.

☐ Libertarian ☐ Progressive ☐ Conservative ☐ Authoritarian ☐ Moderate

2 **The caricature.** How do critics describe this outlook, in one sentence?

3 **What supporters value most.** Use the words they would use.

4 **Their strongest argument,** made the way a supporter would make it.

5 **One real policy they support,** and their reason for supporting it.

6 **The best objection** to this outlook, and how a supporter would answer it.

Accuracy check. Would a supporter sign off on your answer to question 4? Ask your teacher, or a classmate who holds this outlook and is willing to help.

☐ Yes, as written ☐ Mostly ☐ Not yet

Checked by _____