**Inventions & Discoveries Claim-Counterclaim Graphic Organizer**

Use the following graphic organizer to: 1.) categorize your inventions & discoveries into good or bad, 2.) explain why you feel each is either good or bad (Claim), and 3.) explain how someone could possibly argue the opposite of what you categorized (Counterclaim). See the example below:

\*\*If your group is having trouble coming up with a Counterclaim, ask Mr. Cain for help or leave it for group share out as possible bonus points.

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| Invention/Discovery | Good/Bad | Explanation Why (Claim) | Counterclaim |
| Dynamite (1867) | Good | It was a safer alternative to black powder explosives, helping miners and engineers clear areas of material that could not be done easily by hand or machine | Once it became militarized (used by the military) it made warfare deadlier. |
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