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### Finding a claim

**Writing Prompt:** Educators often discuss whether high school sports have a positive influence on students. Some educators think high school sports do have a positive influence because the lessons learned from athletic competition add to the lessons learned in the classroom. Other educators think high school sports do not have a positive influence because the emphasis on sports often overshadows student achievement in other areas. In your opinion, do high school sports have a positive influence on students?

Using the following prompt, identify each part to the authors claim.

Identify subject	What you believe	3 general reasons you believe your claim is true
<b>Claim:</b> (Rewrite the subject + opinion + 3 reasons in one sentence)		