Template of Analyzing the Logic of an Article

The Logic of “TITLE”

1. The main purpose of this article is:
   1. State authors purpose for writing
2. The key question that the author is addressing is:
   1. Figure out the key question in the mind of the author when they wrote it
3. The most important information in this article is:
   1. Figure out the facts, experiences, data the author is using to support the conclusions
4. The main inferences/conclusions in this article are:
   1. Identify the key conclusions the author comes to and presents in the article
5. The key concepts we need to understand in this article is:
   1. Figure out the most important ideas you would have to understand in order to understand the authors line of reasoning
6. By these concepts the author means:
   1. The main assumptions underlying the authors thinking is: Figure out what the author is taking for granted that might be questioned
7. If we take this line of reasoning seriously, the implications are:
   1. What consequences are likely to follow if people take the author’s line of reasoning seriously?
8. If we fail to take this line of reasoning seriously, the implications are:
   1. What consequences are likely to follow if people ignore the author?
9. The main points of view presented in this article are:
   1. What is the author looking at and how are they seeing it?