Obama and other Democrats like Senator Diane Feinstein are trying to push through legislation to ban automatic weapons, in response to the Sandy Hook massacre. Critics argue this is silly because, by the same logic, we should ban things like pressure cookers (Boston Marathon bombing), fertilizer (Oklahoma City bombing), and all hand guns (which after all kill thousands in our cities each year). But banning these things is absurd and will do no good, because crazy people will always find a away to kill. Therefore banning automatic weapons is absurd. The current campaign for stricter gun laws is merely an emotional knee -jerk response to tragedies that will sometimes, inevitably occur, since there will always be cray or evil people.

In a one page (350 word) typed, double-spaced paper, defend or criticize this argument (which contains an analogy). Untyped papers will get half credit. Due next class meeting.