



Persuasive Writing

Learning at Home

Stage 3



Day 1 – Choose an animal, hobby or topic that you like or dislike. Tell us more about your opinion on this. 🖐️ Don't forget to plan your writing. You can use a blank piece of paper, or the planning sheet attached.

Day 2 – Work on your opening sentence which states your opinion. 🖐️ Don't forget to turn that topic sentence into a paragraph that introduces your opinion.

Day 3 – Work on paragraph two which outlines the reason for your stance. 🖐️ Don't forget to include detail in your reason.

Day 4 – Look to add increased detail. Can you add: feelings, sensations, facts & experts or stories & details to support your argument? 🖐️ Don't forget to 'persuasive' language in your writing.

Day 5 – Revise and edit your work. 🖐️ Don't forget to make sure that your writing is nice and neat so the reader can easily read it.

Editing	
All my sentences start with a capital letter.	
I have the correct punctuation at the end of each sentence. (. ! ?)	
I checked my words for correct spelling.	
Is my handwriting neat and legible?	
Revising	
Will the reader find my work interesting?	
Are my ideas in the correct order? Did I tell things in the order that helps the reader understand the argument I am making?	
Did I start my persuasive writing with an interesting introduction that will make the reader want to read more about my arguments for or against my opinion?	
Will my sentences "paint a picture" in the reader's mind so that they can visualize exactly what my opinion is?	
Have I used interesting words that the reader will enjoy?	
Have I overused any words or phrases?	
Is my conclusion good? Does it end my piece of writing well?	

Stuck for an idea?



- Should children be paid for good grades?
- Should fidget toys be allowed in classrooms?
- Should cell phones be allowed in classrooms?
- Is bottled water or tap water better?
- Do children need strict bedtimes?
- Should students have homework?
- Should students be required to wear uniforms?
- Should students be required to learn cursive writing?
- Should girls and boys play competitive sports against each other?
- Should Australia Day be removed as a holiday?
- Are white lies okay?
- Are zoos beneficial or harmful for animals?
- Should animal testing be banned?
- Should school lunches be free for all students?
- Should we move to driverless cars in the near future?
- Should screen time be limited for children?
- Should all forms of sugar be eliminated from school lunch options?
- Should pets be allowed in school?
- Are reusable or recyclable bottles better?
- Should textbooks be replaced with tablets in schools?
- Should schools have sports?
- Do classrooms have too much unneeded technology?
- Should children be paid for chores?
- Should school weeks be shorter?
- Do video game sports count as actual sports?
- Should chocolate milk be served in school cafeterias?
- If you find \$100, is it yours to keep?
- Should schools have dress codes?
- Are earbuds or headphones better for children?
- If you find a historical treasure, does it belong to you?
- Is space exploration worth the money we spend on it?



Persuasive Writing

Introductions

I am writing to ...
I think ...
In the same way ...
I feel that ...
It is certain ...
Of course ...
On the other hand ...
For this reason...
I am sure that ...
In this situation ...

Making your point

Besides ...
Furthermore ...
Firstly, secondly, thirdly ...
Certainly ...
In addition ...
Likewise ...
Also ...
Again ...
Specifically ...
If ... then ...
Moreover ...
Similarly ...
Surely ...
because ...
Finally ...

Details

As evidence ...
In fact ...
For instance ...
For example ...
In support of this ...
Endings
As you can see ...
For these reasons ...
Without a doubt ...
In brief ...
In other words ...
In short ...
Undoubtedly ...
On the whole ...

Other words

arguments
reasons
unfair
for
pros
cons
against

Vocabulary

Persuasive Writing Graphic Organizer

Opinion:

Reason:

Examples:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Opinion:



What are Persuasive Texts?

Persuasive texts aim to persuade readers to buy something, do something or change their minds about something.

A **persuasive text** often has the following features:

- 1) It states the writer's viewpoint in the opening sentence.
- 2) It puts forward arguments and evidence to support this viewpoint.
- 3) It sometimes (but certainly not always!) puts forward opposing arguments.
- 4) It uses the present tense.
- 5) It uses emotive language (e.g. despicable, cruel, heart-warming).
- 6) It uses connectives that emphasise (e.g. moreover), contrast (e.g. however) or show cause and effect (e.g. because of this).
- 7) It often repeats the main points of the text.
- 8) It poses rhetorical questions (questions that don't require an answer). How many more animals must suffer before something is done about this?
- 9) It ends with a final summary or recommendation.

How to write a paragraph.

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