**Writer’s Workshop: Persuasive Letter**

**Writer’s Workshop 1: Body**

Write the first draft of body paragraph or paragraphs for your persuasive essay.

Option One: One paragraph body:

* Topic sentence
  + Reason one - one sentence telling reason, one - two sentences adding an example, fact, statistic, quote, or emotional appeals that supports the reason.
  + Reason two - one sentence telling reason, one - two sentences adding an example, fact, statistic, quote, or emotional appeals that supports the reason.
* Save your best argument for your final reason:
  + Reason three - one sentence telling reason, one - two sentences adding an example, fact, statistic, quote, or emotional appeals that supports the reason.

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Option 2: Three paragraph body:

Paragraph One:

* Topic sentence - First big reason to support your idea or opinion
* Supporting details: examples, research, facts, statistics, quotes, and/or emotional appeals that support the topic sentence
* May include a related counter argument and rebuttal (but this doesn't need to be in every body paragraph)

Paragraph Two:

* Topic sentence - Second big reason to support your idea or opinion
* Supporting details: examples, research, facts, statistics, quotes, and/or emotional appeals that support the topic sentenc
* May include a related counter argument and rebuttal (but this doesn't need to be in every body paragraph)

Paragraph Three:

* Topic sentence - Biggest reason to support your idea or opinion
* Supporting details: examples, research, facts, statistics, quotes, and/or emotional appeals that support the topic sentence
* May include a related counter argument and rebuttal (but this doesn't need to be in every body paragraph)

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**Writer’s Workshop 2: Opening**

Write the first draft of your opening statement for your persuasive essay.

Step 1: Write a hook sentence to grab your reader’s attention.

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Step 2: Introduce your topic by telling the who, what, and why you’re writing.

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Step 3: State your claim by answering the question, “What are you persuading your audience to do/think?”

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**Writer’s Workshop 3: Conclusion**

Write the first draft of your concluding statement for your persuasive essay.

Step 1: Restate your claim.

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Step 2: Be sure to include your 3 main reasons, using different wording than in the body of your essay.

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Step 3: Conclude with an action point.

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**Writer’s Workshop 4:**

Copy and paste your first drafts below, in the order shown. Then complete the revisions in the online book, including the second page of instructions for “I statements”, modal verbs, and adverbs. Your teacher will be able to compare your first draft with your revised versions below.

Opening:

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Body:

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Conclusion:

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**Writer’s Workshop 5 & 6:**

Copy and paste your revised work (from Writer’s Workshop 4) below. Using the sample letter in the lesson as a guide, add the following letter elements where they belong.

* heading
* date
* inside address
* salutation
* complimentary close
* signature

Go through the editing and proofreading steps in the lesson.

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**Submit this Writer’s Workshop now to “Unit 3 Persuasive Letter Revised and Edited Draft” drop box.**

* Your teacher will give you feedback on your revised and edited draft.
* After you apply the feedback, you can submit a final copy (to Unit 3 Persuasive Letter – Final Copy) and possibly even mail your letter to your intended audience**.**