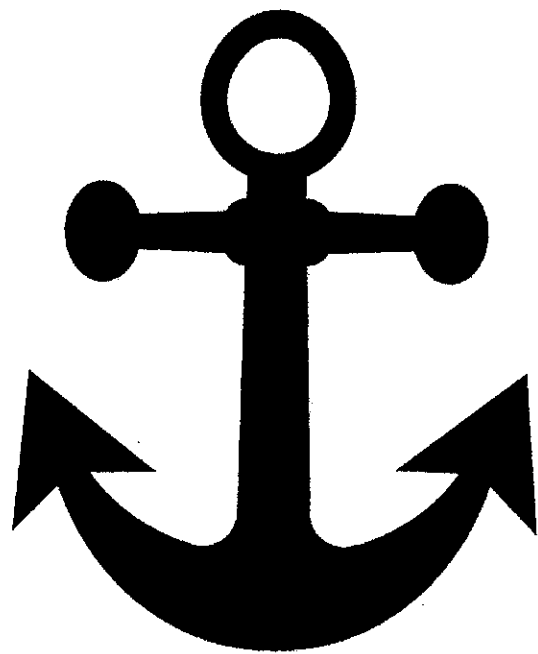


Writing Anchor Charts



Unit 4

Features of a Persuasive Article

- Title
- A strong introduction and an opinion
- 3 Reasons for the opinion that are supported by facts

(words and phrases that connect facts to opinions)

(powerful and persuasive language)

- A conclusion/closing that summarizes and calls readers to action

Examples of features of a Persuasive Article

Feature	Example
Title	"TV on the Weekend"
Introduction and opinion	"Should children watch TV? Well, the answer is yes. But only on the weekends!"
Give reasons 2	Children should watch TV on the weekends because...
Last reason	Finally....
Conclusion/Closing	After reading all these reasons

Persuasive Article

Types of Introductions

Type	Example
Question	Should children watch TV?
Statement	TV is so awesome! It's the best invention ever!
Quote	"What is this mess you are watching?" Has your mom or dad ever asked you that?

Persuasive Article

Types of Reasons that support our opinions

Type	Example
Cause & Effect	If you don't have any after school activities, you could do homework instead
Personal Example	Homework can also be hard. I'm frustrated when I don't know the answer
Facts	Statistics focused on school uniforms show ...

Opinion Words

Use These Words to Show You Are Writing an Opinion:

- I think that . . .
- I believe . . .
- I want . . .
- If I had . . .
- Please . . .
- Everyone should . . .

Use These Words to Link Ideas Together:

- because
- first
- in the first place
- and
- second
- also
- another reason why
- a final reason
- next
- last
- therefore
- since
- for example
- for instance
- such as
- one example is
- this can be shown as
- one way to explain this is
- imagine if

Use These Words to Show That You Are Ending:

- To wrap it all up . . .
- Finally . . .
- You can see why . . .
- So please . . .
- Now you know . . .

Persuasive Article: Revising Checklist

Opening

- I started with an attention-grabbing line.
- I stated the topic and my opinion about the topic.

Support

- I stated two to three reasons to support my opinion.
- The piece explains each reason using causes and effect, facts or personal experiences.

Closing

- I stated a conclusion that restates my opinion.
- My last line is either a question or a call to action.

Editing Checklist

I checked my paper for these things:

Capital letters:

- beginnings of sentences
- proper nouns

Punctuation:

- comma for more than two items in a row
- comma to put sentences together
- semi-colon to put two sentences together
- end marks: . ! or ?
- quotation marks around what people say: " "

Format:

- indent paragraphs
- avoid repetition of linking words

Spelling:

- I fixed these words:

Editing marks:

- ≡ Uppercase
- / Lowercase
- ^ Insert
- e Delete

Name _____

Assessment:

Unit 4 :Persuasive Article

Feature	Achieved	Notes
Title		
Strong introduction and an opinion		
3 reasons for the opinion that are supported by facts		
Words and phrases that connect facts to opinions		
Powerful and persuasive language		
A conclusion/closing that summarizes and calls readers to action		



Laptops Instead Of Backpacks

By

Do you have a heavy backpack? I know I do. That's why we should have laptops instead of backpacks for homework. I am going to share with you reasons why I think that.

First, backpacks are very heavy, kids who walk home can hurt their backs. I know my back hurts.

Next, it helps kids practice their typing and they can just send their homework to the teacher and our school already has laptops, they should just send out a permission slip to have the laptop.

Kids won't be groaning in school about their backs because laptops don't weigh that much. Kids would only take home the laptop instead of half their desks.

I hope you're on the right side and want a laptop! Laptops save kids backs!