

Core A Comp & Lit | Persuasive Essay

THESIS	Due 1/21 – Students must have thesis emailed and <u>approved</u>
OUTLINE	Due 2/1
ROUGH DRAFT/WORKS CITED	Due 2/25
FINAL DRAFT	Due 3/4

Prompt: Write a 5-paragraph persuasive essay on the topic of your choice. Your topic must have two sides that could be argued and you will pick which side you want to argue. Your topic can be anything from a more serious topic like abortion to something fun and lighthearted like Tangled is a better movie than Frozen. Have fun with the topic and pick something that interests you or that you are passionate about 😊

Thesis: Develop your thesis. Remember that a persuasive thesis must present your topic to the reader, provide your opinion on that topic, and summarize the argument you'll make in the paper by offering evidence for your opinion. It must also include 3 prongs that will guide the body paragraphs in your essay.

Outline: Complete the Five Paragraph Outline. Students should conduct some kind of research to use as evidence in their essay. This may include resources like the Bible, websites, books, magazine articles, etc. Students will need to bring this evidence to class with them on 2/3/22.

Rough Draft: *A Works Cited page should be completed with this step of the writing process*
Once you begin the rough draft, don't forget that body paragraphs should be organized by the order of the prongs in your thesis. Also, each paragraph should not only argue your opinion using evidence, but should guide your reader through your thought-process with the inclusion of transitions between sentences and paragraphs.

Final Draft: Revise based on tutor comments, peer review, and parent edit. Submit to Turnitin.com, and bring essay folder to class with all graded parts of the writing process, the printed final draft, this signed sheet, and a clean copy of the rubric.

Persuasive Essay Checklist

- ✓ Submit outline, graded drafts, and signed assignment sheet with final draft of essay
- ✓ Must include a creative title
- ✓ Must have a strong, persuasive thesis that makes an argument and includes 3 prongs
- ✓ Each body paragraph should include a topic and clincher sentence that falls under the umbrella of the thesis, and appropriate transitions
- ✓ Must include evidence that supports your idea and helps persuade the reader to your opinion
- ✓ Must use a variety of sentence openers per paragraph
- ✓ No "I" or "me" or "my" etc.
- ✓ No use of "you" or "your"
- ✓ No contractions
- ✓ Limit of 2 be verbs per paragraph, including helping verbs
- ✓ Use MLA format

I have proofread my student's work and given the appropriate feedback for potential revisions.

Parent signature

Date