

In My Opinion: Writing Guide

Follow the prompts on the following pages to plan and draft a short opinion essay.

1. In your own words, what is an opinion?

2. Circle the opinion statements below.

Pizza is the best food in the world. Nouns can be people, places, or things.
There are seven continents. Summer is the best season.
Butterflies are the prettiest insect. Water boils at 212° F.

3. Consider a topic you have an opinion about. Complete the prompts below to plan a short opinion essay you will write on page 3.

My topic. _____

My audience. (Who are you sharing your opinion with?)

My Opinion. I believe that ...

Because ...

Reason #1 _____

Reason #2 _____

Reason #3 _____



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You can use **connecting words** to link your reasons to your opinion.

Opinion + Connecting Words + Supporting Reasons
because, since, for example

EXAMPLE:

Fuji is the most delicious variety of apple because it is the sweetest.

4. Take the opinion you wrote on page 1 and link it to one of your reasons by using one of the connecting words shown above. Try it out below.

Opinion _____

Connecting Word _____

Supporting Reason _____

5. Use the space on page 3 to write a two paragraph essay stating your opinion, as well as three opinions why you have this opinion.

Then follow the instructions to write a conclusion.

Don't forget to share your opinion essay with others when you are done! Do they agree?



