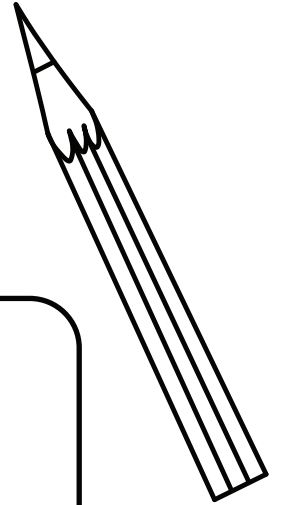


Write a Letter to the Editor

Everyone has a voice in their community. Use yours by writing a letter to the editor of your local newspaper. This is a chance for you to voice your opinion about a community issue that is important to you.

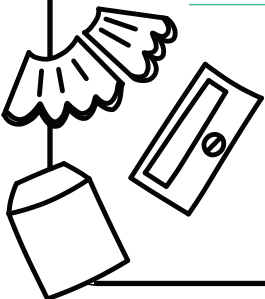


Brainstorming Ideas

Think of an important public issue that affects your everyday life. Do you agree or disagree with it? How would you change things? Choose from the list below, or come up with your own.

- Dress codes in public schools
- Kids owning their own cell phones
- An upcoming local, state, or presidential election
- The voting age (18 years old)
- A news report or article that you agree or disagree with

Add your own ideas to the list:



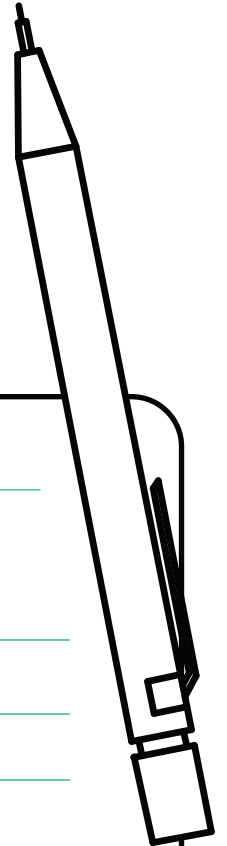
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Select an idea from page 1 and complete the letter template below.

My local newspaper: _____

Editor in chief: _____

My headline: _____



Date: _____

Dear Editor,

I am writing because _____

I feel very strongly about this because _____

I would like it if _____

Thank you,
