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PERSUASIVE WRITING GUIDE

A **persuasive paragraph** states and supports an opinion. Use the provided topic and follow the structure outlined below to write your own persuasive paragraph.

TOPIC: A new law will make it illegal for kids under the age of 14 to drink soda.

Introduction: State your position or opinion. Do you agree or disagree? Who is your audience? In other words, who are you trying to persuade? Keep your audience in mind when you write.

Reasons: List at least three reasons for your opinion. Think of your audience and what reasons might persuade them. Try using phrases like "for instance" or "in addition" to introduce your reasons.

Conclusion: Restate your opinion in a way that relates it to a greater statement about the world or society. In other words, why should your audience agree with your opinion?

INTRODUCTION: _____

REASON #1: _____

REASON #2: _____

REASON #3: _____

CONCLUSION: _____

