

## PERSUASIVE WRITING #1

**Make It Happen**

Follow the prompts on the following pages to plan and write your own persuasive paragraph on one of three topics.

**Persuasive writing** tries to convince the reader to agree with an opinion or point of view.

There are three main elements to a persuasive paragraph:

1. **Topic sentence:** a sentence that states the opinion
2. **Supporting detail:** details or facts that support the opinion
3. **Conclusion:** a sentence that restates the opinion

**Step 1.** Choose one of the opinions below to support or oppose and write your own persuasive paragraph.

**1. “Gum should be allowed in school.”**

**2. “Red is the best color in the world.”**

**3. “Wearing mismatched socks is perfectly acceptable.”**

**Step 2.** Review the vocabulary words below. Keep these in mind as you begin to draft your persuasive paragraph.

incredible	amazing	certainly	only
definitely	exceptional	must	important



