

PERSUASIVE ESSAY ONLINE RESOURCES

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MIDDLE SCHOOL DEBATE – IDEAS FOR PERSUASIVE ESSAY TOPICS

<http://middleschooldebate.com/index.htm>

This is an excellent help for students when beginning to write persuasive essays on different topics, some of which may be rather controversial. Click first on Topics link to find a topic list, then click on Topic Research Guide to find links for research on all the different topics. There is a section for teachers called Curriculum Center in the Resources section that includes unit/lesson plans and downloadable planning worksheets.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY

<http://www.multcolib.org/homework/sochc.html>

This is a portal in which a list of topics is given as a link and clicking on that link will take you to additional sources.

WORKSHEET PLACE - PERSUASIVE WRITING DOCUMENTS/WORKSHEETS

<http://www.worksheetplace.com/index.php?function=DisplayCategory&showCategory=Y&links=2&id=11&link1=43&link2=11>

These are a pdf documents/worksheets that will help you organize your thoughts and facts to write a fantastic persuasive essay.

PERSUASIVE WRITING STEP-BY-STEP

http://www.orangeusd.k12.ca.us/yorba/persuasive_writing.htm

This is a quick handout of how to organize a persuasive essay step by step.

PERSUASIVE WRITING TOPICS – KENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, WASHINGTON

http://www.kent.k12.wa.us/curriculum/writing/elem_writing/bib/persuasive.htm

This website is another portal which gives more links to websites about persuasive writing.

THE POWER OF PERSUASIVE WRITING

<http://volweb.utk.edu/Schools/bedford/harrisms/teachpage.htm>

Contains a webquest on persuasive writing and is written to correlate to Tennessee Curriculum Framework.

PROCON.ORG

<http://www.procon.org/>

A list of major topics that given the pro and con arguments of the topic. There is a link called ProCon.org notices which provides additional up-to-date information of topics that have been in the news during the last 30 days. For teachers, there is a link for lesson plans using this website,

READ WRITE THINK – CAN YOU CONVINC ME? (For teachers)

http://www.readwritethink.org/lessons/lesson_view.asp?id=56

This is a full lesson plan, complete with handouts, worksheets, assessments, and power points. Sponsored by NCTE (National Council of Teachers of English), this lesson plan has been coordinated with national standards.

ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY'S BEST INFORMATION ON THE NET

<http://library.sau.edu/bestinfo/Hot/hotindex.htm>

This site is also a portal in which you click on the topic of your choice and that link will provide you with even more websites to check out.

THINKQUEST – PERSUASIVE WRITING

http://library.thinkquest.org/J001156/forms%20of%20writing/em_persuasive.htm

There is only a small amount of explanation, but there is a link to a sample persuasive essay.

THE WRITE SOURCE – STUDENT MODEL OF PERSUASIVE ESSAY

<http://www.thewritesource.com/studentmodels/ws2k-summer.htm>

Read this persuasive essay and see if this middle-school write convinces you.