

WALT: use persuasive language to write a balanced argument

ASSESSED PIECE OF WORK

RECALL

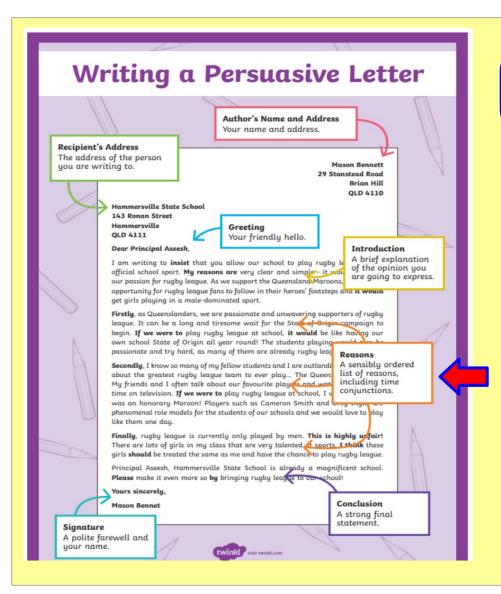
What Is a Balanced Argument?

A balanced argument looks at different points of view on an issue, providing arguments for and against. It presents a balanced set of arguments without leaning one way or the other.



When writing a balanced argument, it is important to remember that it doesn't matter whether you are for or against the issue to begin with. You must present both sides of the argument fairly.

Then, in the final paragraph, after balancing both sides of the argument, you can state which side you agree with.



What does a finished letter look like?

We will concentrate on writing the middle section: our reasons

Our task is to write a balanced argument for and against homeschooling.

There are other Word Mats which will help you

Writing to Persuade

buy campaign

halt

imagine leave purchase

say goodbye to.. stand up for...

amazing brand-new delightful fantastic flawless

incredible magnificent never-before-seen newly designed

one of a kind spectacular splendid unique wonderful

Whether you're

writing a letter, a speech or an advert, you need to persuade your reader that what you're saying is true.

As soon as you use the...,

For centuries.

For the past few years,

From now on,

From the moment you first see the...,

Just imagine...

Say goodbye to.. Surely.

Rhetorical Questions

Do you really want...?

Do you think ?

Have you longed for a solution to...?

Have you always wanted...?

Have you considered...?

Have you tried...?

How can you live without ...?

What are you waiting for?

What is better than...?

Why don't you...?

Why not try...?







Persuasive Writing

Introductions

I think... For this reason...

I feel that... I am sure that...

It is certain...

I am writing to... Of course...

In the same way...

On the other hand... In this situation...

Making your point Firstly, secondly, thirdly...

Furthermore...

In addition...

Also...

Finally... Likewise...

Besides...

Again...

Moreover...

Similarly...

Surelu... Certainly...

Specifically...

If...then...

because...

Details For example...

In fact... For instance...

As evidence...

In support of this...

Endings For these reasons... As you can see...

In other words... On the whole...

In short...

Without a doubt...

In brief...

Undoubtedly...

Other Words

arguments

for against unfair



- On the one hand
- *On the other hand
- *As well as
- *While
- *Similarly
- *However
- *Some people say
- Other people say

There are many arguments for and against homeschooling

Top 15 Benefits of Homeschooling

Parents have the opportunity to:

- · Determine the curriculum and their children's schooling schedule
- · Demonstrate to their children that education is fun
- · Create strong bonds with their children
- · Adapt teaching methods best suiting how their children learn
- Spend extra time with their children on difficult concepts and move ahead after children master a subject or concept
- · Create a flexible schedule not possible for children enrolled in public school
- · Provide religious and ethical instruction for their children
- Shelter children from school violence, drugs, and other negative behaviors children in public schools frequently encounter
- Provide their children with the personal interaction that teachers in large classrooms are not able to provide
- Spend extra time helping their children develop any special talents they possess, including musical, athletic, etc
- · Discuss controversial topics at their discretion with their children
- · Enjoy spending more time with their children
- · Assist their children during adolescence and other trying times
- · Draw closer to their spouse as they homeschool their children together
- · Take their children on vacations when public school is still in session

Top 10 Potential Disadvantages of Homeschooling

Homeschooling parents are required to:

- Be around their children all day long. This can be difficult when children become restless and mishehave
- Frequently explain their reasons for homeschooling their children to friends and relatives unsympathetic or confused about their decision
- Restrain anger and remain patient when children struggle with learning
- Effectively handle the difficulties of moving at a slower pace than public school instruction
- · Spend large amounts of money on books and other learning materials
- · Constantly adapt to be effective teachers
- · Constantly motivate their children
- Speak with other people homeschooling their children to get ideas about solving difficult problems if they're unsure about the best course of action
- Spend time reviewing numerous curriculum programs up to their standards and best suiting their children's learning needs
- Spend more time finding playmates and friends for their children in similar circumstances

How do you find the best ones?

Map out all your ideas then choose your three favourite points for both sides of the argument.

Arguments for and Against Homeschooling

You need a planning sheet!

+	For and Against Planning Sheet		
		Parents have the opportunity to:	Homeschooling parents are required to:
		For	Against
	Point 1 (Include any supporting evidence)	Determine the curriculum and their children's schooling schedule.	Spend time reviewing numerous curriculum programs up to their standards and best suiting their children's learning needs.
		Spend extra time with their children on difficult concepts and move ahead after children master a subject or concept.	Restrain anger and remain patient when children struggle with learning.
	Point 3 (Include any supporting evidence)	Spend extra time helping their children develop any special talents they possess, including musical, athletic etc.	Spend more time finding playmates and friends for their children in similar circumstances.

How do you turn these arguments into a persuasive letter?

Can you remember the first argument in the example?

Parents have the opportunity to:			
	For		
Point 1 (Include any supporting evidence)	Determine the curriculum and their children's schooling schedule.		

Don't forget the counterargument (Against - Point 1)!

Homeschooling parents are required to:

Against

Spend time reviewing numerous curriculum programs up to their standards and best suiting their children's learning needs.

