Persuasive Writing

An informative PowerPoint about convincing the reader.

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Learning Objective

To argue the case for a point of view in order to convince the reader.

Structure

- **Opening statement:** Introduce your point of view to the reader.
- Arguments:

State the point of view and evidence for each argument.

Conclusion:

Summarise the points, repeating your point of view.

Features

• Persuasive writing is written in the present tense, e.g.:

Most beef sold in the UK is not British.

• Use appropriate conjunctions in discussions to make the points flow.

because however this shows therefore

Techniques

- Use facts when writing persuasive text; it lends evidence and proof to the argument rather than persuasive comments.
- Give the reader a reasonable argument as this will get them interested and on your side.
- Short sentences help give points emphasis.
- Persuasive writing is about informing the reader about a subject and getting them to agree. Writing in a friendly manner is key.

Positive Language

Using strong, clear, positive language helps the reader to agree with you. Below are some helpful phrases that are used in persuasive writing.

Persuasive phrases:

- As a result...
- This causes...
- Another reason...
- It goes without saying...
- I strongly believe...
- Is it really worth...
- How could we possibly...

Getting the Reader to Agree

- Make the reader think that everyone else does this, agrees or that it will make their life better or them a happier person.
 Everyone agrees that....
 We all know that...
- Alliteration can make slogans more memorable.
 Buy British Beef
- Using humour in persuasive writing can help people take your side.
- A picture that tugs at the heart-strings can be more powerful than a thousand words.

Finally...

Re-read the persuasive text you have just written.

Would you be persuaded?

