

Kindergarten Grade

School-Wide Writing Assignment

Date: _____

Student's Name: _____ ES's Name: _____

Persuasive Writing Assignment

Pre-Assignment Writing:

- The school website has the directions for administering this assignment. It also has the scoring rubric, persuasive writing instruction, additional practice prompts, and an optional “mock” practice writing assignment to help prepare the student for this assignment. Go to, <http://www.sscs.cc/curriculum.html>, 2010 Writing Assignment, or talk to your ES.

Directions:

- In this writing assignment, you will write three persuasive sentences.

Scoring:

Your writing will be scored on how well you

- come up with five reasons to support your argument,
- select your three most convincing reasons,
- dictate complete sentences,
- copy the sentences correctly.

Writing Task:

Writing Persuasive Sentences

Think about your favorite toy. Your friend will be coming to stay with you. Convince your friend to want to play with your favorite toy while at your house.

Preparing to write:

1. Verbally give at least five reasons that will convince your friend to want to play with your favorite toy while at your house. An adult will write your reasons down on a numbered list as you dictate them.
2. From this list, choose three out of the five that are your most convincing reasons.
3. From these three, choose your most convincing reason.
4. Think about, then dictate this reason back to an adult as one complete sentence. Dictate your complete sentence as something similar to, “You will want to play with my (name the toy) when you come to my house, because (give reason).”

5. An adult will print your dictated sentence using correct punctuation and spelling.

Write your reasons:

6. Copy this sentence onto handwriting paper using your best handwriting.

7. Check to see that you have copied correct punctuation and spelling.

8. From your list, choose your next most convincing reason for why you think your friend should play with your favorite toy while at your house.

9. Follow the same procedure in steps 4-7, and write one sentence for that reason.

10. From your list, choose your third most convincing reason for why you think your friend should play with your favorite toy while at your house.

11. Follow the same procedure in steps 4-7, and write one sentence for that reason.

12. When you are done, you will have written three complete persuasive sentences with correct punctuation and spelling. Your sentences will be in the order of most convincing to least convincing.