
Possible Persuasive Essay Topics To Consider

- 1) Does the school day start too early?
 - 2) Do celebrities make good role models for children?
 - 3) Should there be harsher punishment for bullying?
 - 4) Success is more important than happiness?
 - 5) Should there be less homework each night?
 - 6) Do you feel our school lunch menu needs changes?
 - 7) Do kids watch too much television?
 - 8) Should kids have chores?
 - 9) Do violent games and television shows make kids violent?
 - 10) Should students be able to listen to music while working?
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- 11) Have people become too dependent on technology?
- 12) Should children be limited to the number of hours they are allowed to play video games every week?
- 13) Are children today getting enough physical activity?
- 14) Do class sizes affect the success of students?
- 15) Should the school day be longer so that you can go to school for 4 days instead of 5?
- 16) Country life is better than city life.
- 17) Medical testing on animals should not be allowed.
- 18) Max Aitken lunch hour should be one full hour.
- 19) It is better/easier to be a teenager rather than an adult.

Reasons Our School Should Have Class Pets

A class pet would improve attendance.

A class pet would make students happier.

A class pet would teach students responsibilities and chores.

A class pet would make students have less stress during tests.

A class pet would bring the class together.

A class pet would teach students to have empathy and compassion.

Every student would have a friend as their pet.

Students that do not have a pet at home would have the opportunity to have a pet.

Students would learn a lot about animals through their pet.

ALSO INCLUDES BLACK AND WHITE VERSIONS!

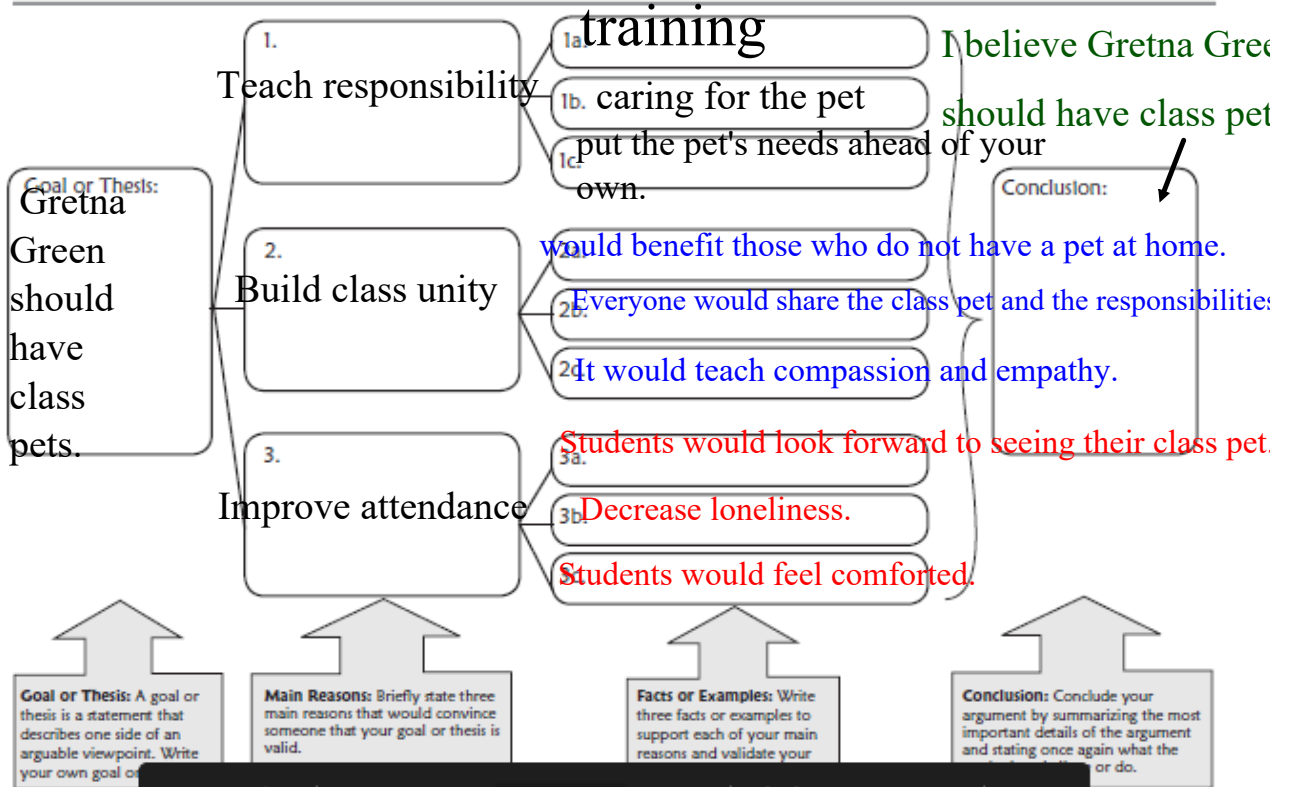


Four: MAKE A PLAN, then write!

The 5 Paragraph Essay:

1. Introduction/Hook/Thesis
2. Argument 1 with support
3. Argument 2 with support
4. Argument 3 with support
5. Conclusion- Restate your position

Persuasion Map



Class Pet

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to have a class pet? I know I have! I believe that Gretna Green students should have class pets. Listen closely as I tell you the many reasons why I think our class should have our very own pet.

First of all, a class pet would teach responsibility. What better way to teach us the value of daily chores than looking after a fuzzy pooch? We would be responsible for walking our pet, giving it clean drinking water and food, as well as taking it out for it's business. We would put our pet's needs ahead of our own. We would even have the responsibility of training our pet. This would teach us the value of hard work.

Next, a class pet would be beneficial in that a class pet would decrease stress in students while they're taking a test. Students wouldn't lose sleep over worrying about their big test. Well rested students perform better in school. A class pet would create happier kids. Who can be sad with a cuddly little puppy around? Gretna Green would be a happier place to be. As a result of kids wanting to come to school, we would see a decrease in absenteeism. This is a win-win for all!

Finally, a class pet would help build unity amongst the class and school. This means it would give students a sense of belonging to their class community. Through learning empathy and compassion for their class pet, they would also learn to have that same compassion for their fellow peers. As students would be working together for the same cause, students would learn the true meaning of the phrase, "many hands make for light work". Students would be working as a team to meet the needs of their precious pet.

Now you know the many reasons why our class should have a pet. I feel that Gretna Green should have class pets. Are you convinced yet? I know I am!