***Persuasive Writing***

*5 paragraph essay*

**Introduction** *– paragraph #1*

1. Hook *1-2 sentences*
2. Thesis statement *1 sentence*

* This is your own opinion on the topic, either “for” or “against”

1. Support your thesis with 3 arguments, *3 sentences, one for each argument.*
2. Transition *1 sentence*

* smooth transition sentence to paragraph #2 of your body

**Body** *paragraph #2*

1. Topic sentence *1-2 sentences*

* Start your paragraph with a transition word. *Example: First of all,*
* Then, write your first argument from your introduction.

1. Write 3 supporting details to support your argument,  *3 sentences*
2. Rebuttal *1 sentence*

* You are again stating how you feel about your topic.
* Begin with words such as “Clearly,” or “Again,”

1. Transition *1 sentence*

* smooth transition sentence to paragraph # 3 of your body
* This sentence will lead you to your next argument.

**Body** *paragraph #3*

1. Topic sentence *1-2 sentences*

* Start your paragraph with a transition word. *Example: Then,* ***or*** *Next,*
* Write your second argument from your introduction.

1. Write 3 supporting details to support your argument,  *3 sentences*
2. Rebuttal *1 sentence*

* You are again stating how you feel about your topic.
* Begin with words such as “Clearly,” or “Again,”

1. Transition *1 sentence*

* smooth transition sentence to paragraph # 4 of your body
* This sentence will lead you to your next argument.

**Body** *paragraph #4*

1. Topic sentence *1-2 sentences*

* Start your paragraph with a transition word. *Example: Finally,* ***or*** *In the end,*
* Write your third argument from your introduction.

1. Write 3 supporting details to support your argument,  *3 sentences*
2. Rebuttal *1 sentence*

* You are again stating how you feel about your topic.
* Begin with words such as “Clearly,” or “Again,”

1. Transition *1 sentence*

* smooth transition sentence to paragraph # 5, your conclusion

**Conclusion** *paragraph #5*

1. Concluding Phrase (attach to your thesis sentence)

* Start your paragraph with a concluding phrase.

Example:

* In conclusion,
* Obviously,
* As you can see,
* It is clear that,
* For these reasons,
* As I said,
* Clearly

1. Reword your thesis (Found in your introduction)

*1 sentence*

1. End with a question **or** idea to leave your reader thinking. *1 sentence*