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Analyzing Persuasive Writing

Persuasive writing is used to convince the audience that one way of thinking is better than another way of thinking. Strong persuasive writing has a clear opinion statement and uses facts and logic to support the author’s argument. Use the chart below to identify the different elements of persuasive writing. Be sure to restate the author’s ideas in your own words.

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| Title of the Document:  Author:  Intended Audience: |
| Position Statement/Thesis: What point of view or action does the author want the reader to take and how do you know this? |
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| Supporting Facts: What facts does the author include to support their position statement/thesis? |
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| Logical Reasoning: How does the author use logic and reasoning to appeal to the audience? |
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