

Information to support Persuasive Writing.

EAL students need:

- Explicit vocabulary acquisition generated from discussions using visuals. Exemplars could be made by teacher to illustrate the specific learning intention.
See example 1.
- Explicit teaching of sentence structures that are relevant to genre. Students may copy the exemplar, then complete their own sentences when confident.

See examples 2 and 3.

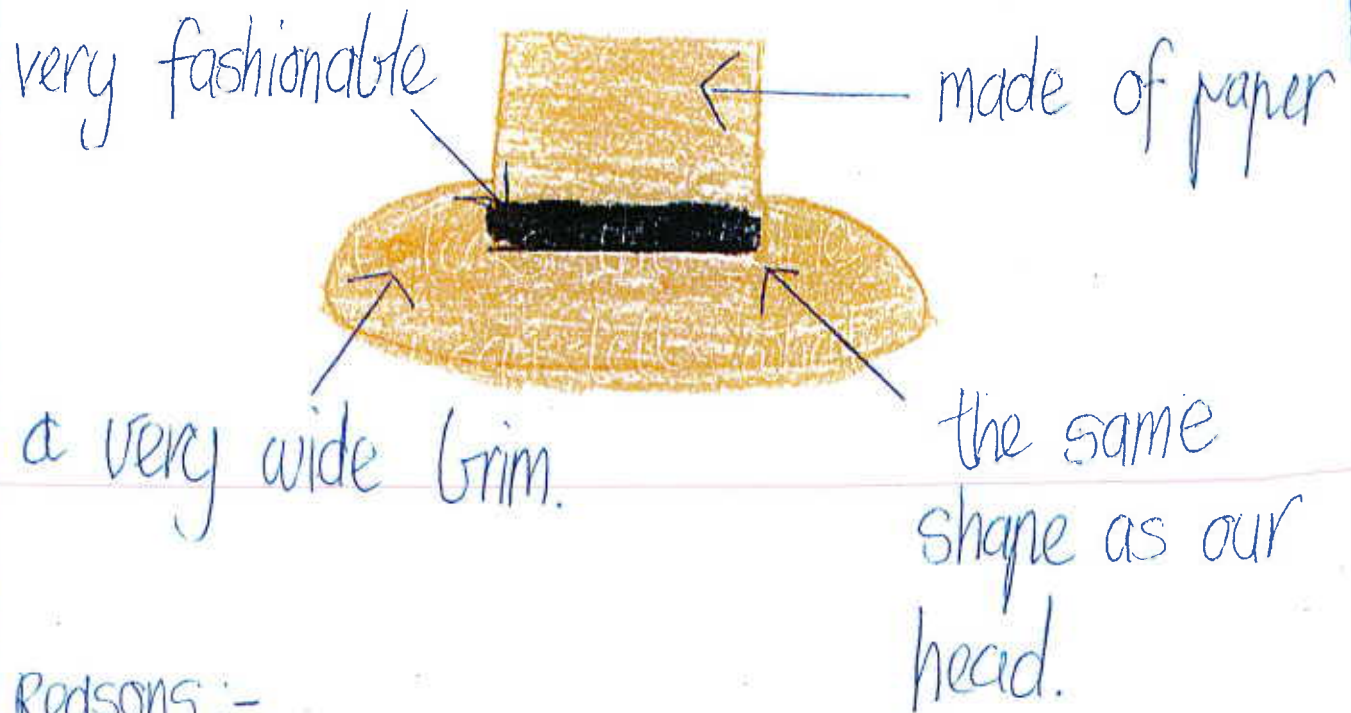
- Explicit teaching of the genre structure, using teacher modelling as an example and colour coding.

See examples 4.

- Feedback on performance and explicit modelling of success criteria.

See example 5.

This is the BEST
sunhat.



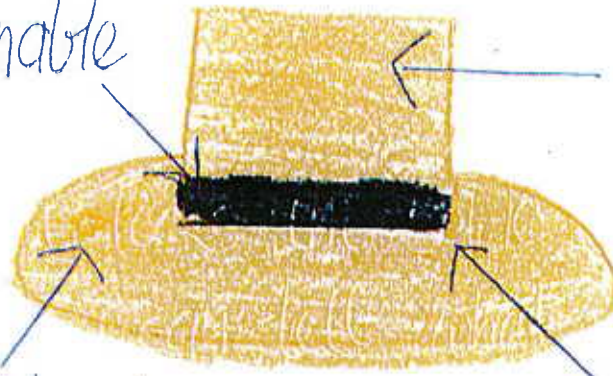
Reasons :-

- ① This sunhat has a big brim that makes a lot of shade for our head.
- ② It is the same shape as our head and will not fall off.
- ③ It is made of paper with holes in it and it is very light. It is not heavy on our head.
- ④ It looks very attractive and smart.

This is the BEST
sunhat.

very fashionable

made of paper



a very wide brim.

the same
shape as our
head.

Noun

Reasons: - Conjunction present.

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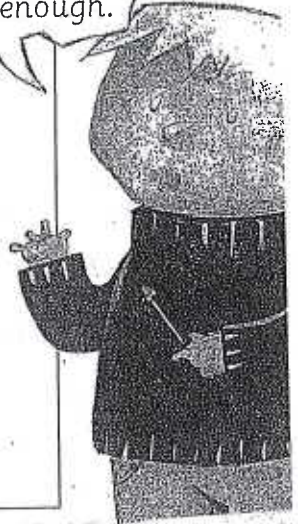
Example 2.

Try making a chart comparing some good and bad things about it before you decide.



Alligators are good pets because...	Alligators are bad pets because...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • baby ones are very small. • they don't need exercise. • they can swim in the bath. • they are very quiet. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • they grow very big. • they scare the neighbours. • they sometimes eat people. • they are not very cuddly. • they knock things over. • they can be grumpy. • they don't play.

I decided that alligators are bad pets because they're not friendly enough.



Write some good and bad things about keeping a spider or a cat:



WRITING TIPS

Divide your page into two columns with a ruled line.

Spiders are good pets because...

Spiders are bad pets because...

- they might scare people.
- they are easy to lose.

I decided that spiders are good pets because...

I decided that spiders are bad pets because...

Write the title at the top of the right-hand column.

Write each reason on a new line.

Start each new reason with a bullet point.

Write this at the top of the left-hand column.

Write a final sentence that begins like this 'I decided that...' or like this 'I decided that...'

Example 3.

Sentence Starters-Write a sentence starting with these beginning words which is a reason supporting that car drivers get their driving license at 18 years of age.

I believe.....

Everyone agrees.....

The real truth is.....

If you didn't agree before, you should agree now.....

We all know that.....

The fact is that.....

I strongly believe.....

I recommend you.....

It is impossible not to agree.....

We are learning to write persuasive texts.

We include:

- a title
- an introduction (what do you think)
- reason 1 (why do you think this?)

In my opinion

Firstly, I believe

Thirdly, I would argue that

Secondly,

I strongly believe

In conclusion, I believe

- reason 2
- reason 3

- conclusion (give your opinion again)

We use:

- paragraphs
- words to persuade
- adjectives
- connectives ('and' 'because')
- phrases like 'In my opinion...'
- 'You must agree that...' 'I believe.'

Dogs Are Better Pets Than Cats

In my opinion, dogs are better pets than cats. There are many reasons for this.

I believe that dogs are friendly animals. If you have a dog, you have a friend! A dog will watch tv. with you and sleep next to your bed. Cats are not always friendly.

Everyone knows that dogs are helpful. They can help blind people to walk safely. They can also help the police because they can smell dangerous things. Cats do not help people.

I would argue that dogs are fun pets. You can go for a walk on the beach with your dog and you can play games together. Dogs love to play with people. Cats can not play like this.

In conclusion, I strongly believe that dogs are much better pets than cats. They are friendly, helpful and fun. Cats are not always friendly and they are never helpful. The best pet is definitely a dog.

Writing Checklist	
I have written a clear plan before writing.	Yes / No
I have written a clear topic sentence at the start of each paragraph.	Yes / No
I have written a full stop at the end of each sentence.	Yes / No
I have written my opinion in the introduction.	Yes / No
I have given all points enough space for my opinion.	Yes / No
I have written each paragraph in a different paragraph.	Yes / No
I have written a conclusion to explain my opinion.	Yes / No
I have written a full stop at the end of my opinion.	Yes / No
I have written my opinion clearly.	Yes / No
I have written my conclusion clearly.	Yes / No
I have written my opinion and conclusion.	Yes / No
I have written my opinion and conclusion.	Yes / No

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I can write a plan.

I can write a title.

I can write what I think.

I can give 3 reasons.

I can use present tense.

I can use describing words.

I can write a beginning, middle and ending.