


















Preparing for the DWA: Persuasive Writing Practice through your utahwrite.com account

All 5th and 8th grade students must come to the school to take a Writing Assessment – known as the DWA (Direct Writing Assessment). Students will be given a prompt and asked to write a persuasive essay from the topic given. This assessment is not timed, students may generate ideas and write a rough draft on scratch paper, but the final essay must be submitted online (typed in). The Utah Write program is a great tool to use in helping your child prepare for the DWA. There are many prompts listed in the Utah Write program-some of which are prompts that correlate with your K12 Composition class, and must be submitted. Others though, are there solely for student practice. The prompt given in the DWA will be a form of “Persuasive Writing”. Below is a list of the “Persuasive Writing” practice prompts listed on your UtahWrite account. These can be used to help your child practice and prepare for the DWA. If you have any questions, comments or concerns – please email or call me. Thank you for taking the time to help your child improve his/her writing skills.

Course: K12 Composition 4

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 	Best Teacher Award	Your district has asked students to nominate a teacher for the ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 	Payment for Grades	Is it a good idea to pay kids for good grades? Some parents ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	  	Power from the Sun? (Science Tie-In)	Imagine you have decided to live in a solar-powered home. Your ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 	Should Schools Provide Computers?	Computers have become a very important tool in education. Some ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 	Specials?	In some schools, subjects like P.E., Art, and Foreign Language ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 	That's not Fair!	What is something that upsets you because it is not fair? Write ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	  	Why Study Animals? (Science Tie-In)	Why is it a good idea to study animals and learn about their ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 	World's Most Important Invention	There have been many wonderful inventions throughout history. ...