



Writing an Opinion

Introduction

Hooking Your Readers

Authors write opinion introductions by stating the opposing opinions and stating which side they are on.



Review

What should every opinion essay include?



words that show strong feelings



an opinion statement



reasons that support the opinion

Hooking Your Readers

Today, you will learn how to write an introduction for an opinion essay.

In this type of introduction paragraph there are three sentences:

- 1** an opinion,
- 2** the opposing opinion, and
- 3** the opinion you agree with.

Let's Brainstorm!

recess

snacks in class

homework



class pets



Class Pets

1st Opinion:

Some people think teachers having pets in classrooms help children perform and feel better in school.

Opposite Opinion:

Some people think pets in the classroom are a distraction to learning and can cause students distress from allergies.

Let's Put it Together

Class pets have long been debated in the classroom. Some people think teachers having pets in classrooms help children perform and feel better in school. On the other hand, other people think pets in the classroom are a distraction to learning and can cause students distress from allergies. I think the benefits of having classroom pets outweigh the concerns of having them because (reason 1), (reason 2), and (reason 3).

Guided Practice

Read *Students Should Raise Money for School*

by Hadley Jones

As a class, write an introduction paragraph.

Underline the bold statement hook in black.

Underline the 1st opinion in blue.

Underline the transitional phrase in purple.

Underline the opposite opinion in blue.

Underline your opinion sentence in red.



Independent Practice

- Read *Students Should Not Raise Money for School* by Hadley Jones.
- Follow the steps we just practiced to create an introduction paragraph.