

Year 6

English

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Windrush Child



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Persuasive Writing

Persuasive writing is a text in which the author tries to convince the reader of their point of view.

Features:

- a title that shows what the text is about. Often uses “How....” or “Why....”.
- an opening paragraph that introduces the topic or idea
- cause and effect conjunctions logically link points to supporting details
- the final paragraph links back to the opening
- only one side of the topic is discussed
- each point is elaborated upon with detail and examples
- rhetorical questions are used
- strong and emotive adjectives challenge the reader to disagree
- opinion presented as facts
- ambiguous phrases e.g., probably, almost certainly
- present tense verbs

Key Vocabulary	Definition
accent	A distinctive way of pronouncing a language.
ackee and saltfish	The national dish of Jamaica. Ackee is a fruit. Saltfish is salted cod.
cabin	A private room or compartment on a ship.
Customs	The official department that administers and collects the duties levied by a government on imported goods.
deck	The floor like covering of the horizontal sections, or compartments, of a ship.
descended	A blood relative.
discrimination	The unjust treatment of different categories of people, especially on the grounds of ethnicity, age, sex, or disability.
elders	An older person, especially one with a respected position in society.
hurricane	A violent tropical cyclone with winds moving at 73 or more miles per hour, often accompanied by torrential rains.
Jamaica	A Caribbean Island nation.
Kingston	The capital of Jamaica.
modal verbs	Modal verbs express necessity or possibility. They include: must; shall; will and should
port	a town or city with a harbour where ships load or unload, especially one where customs officers are stationed
racism	Prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism by an individual, community, or institution against a person or people based on their membership of a particular racial or ethnic group, typically one that is a minority.
seasick	Suffering from sickness or nausea caused by the motion of a ship at sea.
yams	Root vegetables which are native to Africa.
wincing	To give a slight involuntary grimace or shrinking movement of the body out of or in anticipation of pain or distress

Poetry Recital

When reading aloud, it is important to engage the listener and give a confident performance.

Features:

- use a clear voice
- consider volume
- use feeling and expression
- use movement and gestures
- consider the speed of delivery
- make eye contact with the audience
- use different voices
- speak confidently
- follow a rhythm if required

Bullet Points

Bullet points are used for making lists. You could use them to organise a set of questions, a list of nouns or a checklist of things to do.

If your bullet point is a full sentence, use capital letters and full stops.

If your bullet point is part of a list of nouns, you can separate them with a semi-colon.

Inference

When reading, we use lots of different skills. One of these is being able to deduct and infer based on evidence from the text.

For example, if a child was ‘grinning from ear to ear’ and ‘whooping loudly’ we can infer that they are happy even though it isn’t stated.