Grade 6 English Language Arts

Week of January 4 - January 8

<u>Lesson 1: Persuasive Letter – Brainstorming Letter Ideas</u>

You are going to be writing a persuasive letter using a specific format. You need to choose an issue or concept that you have an "opinion" about or would like to see some action on, that is meaningful, and that you can support with facts and information in order to convince others that your opinion or idea is a reasonable one that has benefits for individuals or a community as a whole. You need to choose your topic carefully and it should be on the theme:

How can we contribute to/ improve something in the community and better care for or respond to an issue related to the environment?

The following ideas may appeal to you or you may have an idea of your own that is not on the list below. If you aren't sure about your own idea, ask your teacher. Remember, your idea should be meaningful.

- 1. Transit / expanding sky train or train service.
- 2. Students and volunteering.
- 3. Helping the homeless.
- 4. Bike paths.
- 5. Connecting with nature.
- 6. Destruction of the world's forest is not justified by a human need for land and food. (What is the problem? What are the alternatives?
- 7. Garbage disposal should not be free to encourage recycling.
- 8. Do animals have rights? Using animals for scientific research is inhumane.
- 9. Pipelines should not be allowed on aquifers.
- 10. Leather and fur clothes should be outlawed.
- 11. Wind power plants help reduce effects of global warming.

- 12. Gardening should be required curriculum in schools.
- 13. Bottling Canadian water to sell.
- 14. Meatless Mondays should be mandatory.
- 15. All grade 6 students should be required to get a license for safe biking.
- 16. Anything related to actions to reduce climate change.
- 17. Allergy awareness
- 18. Acceptance of diversity / respect for human rights. Is there something in your community that can be improved?
- 19. Adopting versus buying pets from a pet store.
- 20. Mandatory screen-free hours for youth.
- 21. Senior citizens needs.



6. Brainstorming Letter Ideas



Write down issues you see in each of the categories. Think of how they could be solved and who you could contact to help you with that.

Home:		
Community:		
Province:		
.Country:		
World:		