

Opinion Essay: Water Pollution Prompt

Name: _____ Date: _____

Drafting an Opinion Piece

Task: You have been learning about some serious issues with the world's water. Write an essay urging people to get involved in water conservation. Other students and parents will read your writing to learn more about why it is so important to take care of this resource.

Directions:

Write an essay about why we should get involved in water conservation. Be sure to explain how water pollution affects us and offer some things the reader can do to help. Choose the most important reasons from your sources to support your opinion. Then write an opinion piece that is at least four paragraphs long. As you write, be sure to correctly use regular and irregular plural nouns.

REMEMBER: A well-written opinion text:

1. Gives the reader information needed to understand the topic and clearly states the focus.
2. Gives reasons for the opinion that are supported by facts and details.
3. Clearly connects the opinion and reasons using linking words and phrases.
4. Follows rules of writing (spelling, punctuation, and grammar)

As you work:

1. Review your Research Note-catcher: Water Pollution before writing your draft.
2. Draft your essay.
3. Use the Opinion Writing Checklist as you draft to be sure it meets all the criteria.