

Persuasive Writing

Why Skateboards Should Not Be Allowed At School (1)

I strongly believe that skateboarding should not be allowed at our school. (2) Skateboards are dangerous for the people who ride them. (3) They are also dangerous for the people who are nearby when they are being ridden! (3) If we allow skateboards at school the skateboarders will take up too much space in the playground and there won't be room for anyone else. (3)

Skateboarding is dangerous! (4) (5) (7) Professional skateboarders wear lots of safety gear like knee pads, but the children I've seen bringing skateboards to school don't even wear helmets. It's even more dangerous because they're still learning! (6) Our duty teachers are already busy enough at break times, imagine if they had to look after lots of skateboarding injuries too. (6)

Skateboards are also dangerous (7) for the people who are nearby. (4) (5) There are lots of tricks to do on skateboards where the board or the person on it goes flying around the air, and it would be easy to hit another child. (6) At our school, all the skateboarders are seniors too, and it would be really easy for a junior student to be knocked into and hurt. (6)

Finally, (7) we don't have enough space for skateboarding at school. (4) (5) Skateboarders

(1) Make sure the title gives the reader a clear understanding of what your persuasive writing is about.

(2) State the point of view clearly to begin the introduction.

(3) Support the point of view with brief reasons in the introduction.

(4) Give each reason its own paragraph.

(5) Begin each paragraph with a statement about the reason.

(6) Add extra detail for the reasons in the 'reason' paragraphs.

(7) Use different starting phrases for each paragraph.

(8) In the conclusion paragraph, restate the main point of view.

need the court areas because the wheels don't work on grass, and lots of skateboards would mean not having enough room for court games like basketball. (6)

As you will see from my points, skateboarding is not a good idea at our school, for many reasons.

(8) They are dangerous for their riders (9) and for the people nearby, (9) especially younger children. Also, there simply isn't enough room! (9) Please ban skateboards from coming to school. (10)

(9) Summarise the reasons briefly in the conclusion.

(10) Include an imperative verb telling the reader what to do.

