

Example Practice 1

Persuasive prompt: Write an essay stating your position on whether people should text and drive.

SCREEEEEECH! Bang! Crash... The sounds from another texting and driving accident fill the night sky as the blue and red lights flicker in the distance. Did you know that texting while driving can be just as dangerous as drinking and driving? People shouldn't text and drive because it can wait and it is against the law.

One reason people should not text and drive is because the message can always wait until a later time. An example of this would be, _____

Also, texting while driving is against the law in many areas, so a person could get fined or get a ticket. For example,

Obviously, texting while driving should be avoided at all costs. The dangers of being irresponsible are way too serious for being so careless. Put the phone down, that text can wait until a later time and it will help teens to avoid breaking the law.

Example Practice 2

Persuasive prompt: Write an essay stating your position on whether body art should be more acceptable to society.

The big question is, does body art cause a distraction, or is it something that all people should learn to accept? Body art such as tattoos should be accepted more because it's wrong to discriminate against someone that has one and it's their own body so they can have one if they want.

One reason tattoos should be accepted more is because people shouldn't be discriminated against. One example of this is _____

Secondly, only that person has control over what they do to their body, not anyone else. For example, _____

A tattoo is something that shows everywhere someone goes, so they should be accepted more. Body art should not be discriminated against because that's just wrong to discriminate against others and, it is that person's body so they can have one if they want.

Example Practice 3

Persuasive prompt: Write an essay stating your position on whether maturity depends upon a person's age.

"I can't even." Some teenagers experience this sentiment when dealing with their peers' meltdowns or lack of responsibility. While a select few individuals may have experiences or traits that set them apart, many teenagers, due to their age, lack maturity because they are naturally self-centered and because their experiences teach them dependence on others.

One reason age is a huge factor in teens' immaturity is because teenagers are still naturally immature. Their brains have not developed fully. One example of this would be _____

Another reason age does determine maturity is because teenagers have many life experiences that actually teach them to be codependent instead of independent. For example,

Maturity is like Rome, it is not built in a day. Brick by brick, stone by stone, experiences guide and change a teenager into the leaders they will become. As teenagers experience the world, they learn that they are not the only ones on the planet who have needs and they also gain insight and understanding of themselves to become responsible adults.

Example Practice 4

Persuasive prompt: Write an essay stating your position on whether a person should dream big or remain practical.

Throughout childhood, kids are encouraged by parents to have big dreams. Many imagine themselves as astronauts or even the President. A select few who continue to dream big succeed at their far-fetched goals. Others wish they could change the world to make it a better place. Dreaming big is the best option because it can lead to new inventions and it can change the course of the world.

One reason it is better to dream big is because it can lead to new inventions. An example of this would be _____

Another reason dreaming big is the advantage is because it can change the course of the world. For example, _____

Accomplishing big things first takes someone who dares to dream big. Practical people do not pioneer and they do not invent and they do not change the course if the world. Big dreamers are the people who invent new products and who alter history. To accomplish big goals, one must dream big.