



## THREE REASONS

The core of writing a persuasive piece is supporting your opinion with three main points or reasons. This is a game to practice that!

NOTE: This lesson can address the following Common Core State Standards: CCSS.ELA.LITERACY.W.K.1, W.1.1, W.2.1, W.3.1, W.3.1.A, W.3.1.B, W.4.1, W.4.1.A, W.4.1.B, W.5.1, W.5.1.A and W.5.1.B.

Setting up the game:

1. For smaller groups (up to 8), divide the board into 4 sections. Assign a pair to each section.



2. For larger groups, divide the group into pairs. Give each pair a small white board, dry erase marker and a sock to serve as an eraser.

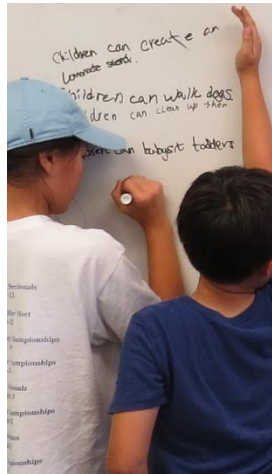


Now to play!

3. Make a statement.

“There are many things children can do to earn money.”

4. The students race to write three reasons that support the statement.



5. The students face you or hold up their whiteboard.
6. Check to make sure each reason fits the statement. If so, give them a thumbs up. If not, point out what doesn't fit so they can replace it.
7. If time, let the students share their reasons each turn!
8. Continue play until your allotted time runs out!

Here's a list of main ideas. Feel free to add your own!

There are many things children can do to:

- Help their parents
- Clean the environment
- Learn another language
- Show respect
- Help elderly people
- Earn money
- Exercise
- Keep in touch with family and friends

There are many things children can do besides use electronics