

## Persuasive Essay Assignment

Step #1: Find two opinion articles that present the opposite point of view on a topic you have a strong opinion about. Take notes on these articles in your CT Notebook. You could answer the questions on the handout "Analyzing the Logic of an Article" to help with your analysis.

Step #2: Write a summary of each of the two articles. Be sure to include the conclusion and reasons and evidence. Add one paragraph discussing the point of view you agree with and tell why you agree. **Hand in the summaries with a copy of the article attached.** Don't forget the paragraph that explains which position you agree with and why (reasons).

Step #3: Write a persuasive essay about the topic that you have gathered articles for. But you must argue against what you really believe: this is an opinion paper written as if you deeply believe the opposite of what you really do on this topic. You must cite your sources and include a works cited page at the end of the paper. You must also include copies of the sources you used with the sections you quoted or summarized clearly highlighted. Length 4-5 double spaced pages.