

Peer Review Guidelines for Persuasive Letters

Author _____

Reviewer _____

Directions: Read your letter aloud while reviewers listen carefully. When you finish reading, ask reviewers to write any questions or comments below.

Reviewer's Questions/Comments after Listening:

After all group members have read their drafts aloud, the group will read each draft silently and answer the following questions.

1. Identify the intended audience for the letter. How does the writer address the needs and interests of that particular audience?
2. What does the author want the audience to do? (This should be the writer's goal or thesis statement.) How does the writer convey this to the audience? What reasons does the writer use to persuade readers?
3. How does the writer organize the content of the letter? Do reasons and examples seem to be sequenced in a logical order?
4. Identify something the writer does particularly well.
5. Identify something the writer can do to improve the letter.