Persuasive Writing Rubric

Category	Criteria	Your Progress Toward Mastery		
Introduction	Check for: Introductory sentence/hook Relevant background information Claim (with two sub-claims)	Met Met Met	Making progress Making progress Making progress	Not yet Not yet Not yet
Body Paragraph 1	Check for: Topic sentence (with sub-claim) Introduce the words/ideas from research (indicate source) Strong, relevant proof/evidence Analysis (connecting topic sentence and claim to evidence)	Met Met Met Met	Making progress Making progress Making progress Making progress	Not yet Not yet Not yet Not yet
Body Paragraph 2	Check for: Topic sentence (with sub-claim) Introduce the words/ideas from research (indicate source) Strong, relevant proof/evidence Analysis (connecting topic sentence and claim to evidence)	Met Met Met Met	Making progress Making progress Making progress Making progress	Not yet Not yet Not yet Not yet
Conclusion	Check for: Summarize argument in a new way Call to action/so what	Met Met	Making progress Making progress	Not yet Not yet
Form, Style, and Mechanics	Check for: Pronouns in the proper case Variety of type of sentences Transitions/linking words between ideas Evidence pulled from 2 sources Appropriate spelling, grammar, and punctuation	Met Met Met Met	Making progress Making progress Making progress Making progress Making progress	Not yet Not yet Not yet Not yet Not yet