

5th Grade Opinion Writing Prompt

PROMPT

Write an opinion: Should the United States stop using pennies? Your essay must be based on ideas and information from the passage set.

Manage your time carefully so you can

- Plan
- Write
- Revise
- Edit

Type your answer in the space provided.

TARGETED STANDARDS CONNECTION

Writing Standards

W.5.1 Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.

- W.5.1.a Introduce a topic or text clearly, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure in which ideas are logically grouped to support the writer's purpose.
- W.5.1.b Provide logically ordered reasons that are supported by facts and details.
- W.5.1.c Link opinion and reasons using words, phrases, and clauses (e.g., *consequently*, *specifically*).
- W.5.1.d Provide a concluding statement or section related to the opinion presented.

W.5.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

W.5.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

For those typing their responses: **W.5.6** With some guidance and support from adults, Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of two pages in a single setting.

LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Materials:

Grant, Tracy. "Do Pennies Make Sense?" *Washington Post* 01 March 2013; *Kids Post*. Web. 23 Feb. 2016.

URL http://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/kidspost/do-pennies-make-sense/2013/03/01/36340140-7d34-11e2-9a75-dab0201670da_story.html

Sanburn, Josh. "Waiting for Change." *Time* 08 February 2013: *Time for Kids*. Web. 23 Feb. 2016.
URL <http://www.timeforkids.com/news/article-waiting-change/98991>