

Revising and Editing – Persuasive Essay

Directions: Complete the following tasks with your Persuasive Essay rough draft. Use an editing tool like a colored pen or pencil.

- **Add** 3 more specific/unique details to your writing (do you have both factual details AND emotional details to support your argument?). And add 3 transition words if you have not already.
- **Rearrange:** Is your persuasive essay in a logical order? What would happen if you rearranged the order of your paragraphs or sentences? Do you use transition words from one paragraph to the next?
- **Remove:** Take out at least 3 words that are unnecessary or boring.
- **Replace:**
 - a.** Replace your lead-in with one of the other strategies for a strong introduction. Which do you like better?
 - b.** Using your “200 Breathtaking Adjectives” handout replace 3 boring words with 3 interesting and powerful words.
- **Check** your spelling and punctuation. Circle any words that are or might be misspelled. Make sure that you can read your paper out loud without stumbling.
- **Share** your persuasive essay with one partner!