

The Witches: Supporting Evidence (problems to solve) for Persuasive Letter

1. No one is sure how many witches live in the United States. It could be 100, 1000, 10,000, 100,000 or even a million. If each witch "does away" with 1 child a week, estimate how many children the witches may get in a year? (Remember: How many weeks are in a year?)
2. Using the population table, how many children are in the United States? Based on your estimates above, the U.S. government should be particularly concerned if there are how many witches? Why?
3. Based on the World Populations table, the British population is approximately 60,000,000. There are approximately 200 witches in Britain. If there are approximately 300,000,000 people in the United States, based on British proportion of witches to citizens, how many witches are there in the United States? (ratios & estimation)
4. As you did in #3, using the World Populations table can you determine how many witches live in other parts of the world? (ratios & estimation)
5. Based on the U.S. population of children, how much of each ingredient of Formula 86 Delayed Action Mouse Maker (attached recipe) would they need to get rid of all of the children? Remember, 1 recipe gets rid of 1000 children. (division & multiplication)
6. What other evidence or proof can you share with the U.S. Government—things for them to look for, areas of concern, etc.