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# Focus Trait: Voice

## Use Convincing Words

**Dangerous Crossing**  
Writing: Opinion Writing

### Clear Position

People should be willing to adopt shelter animals of all ages, not only puppies and kittens.

### Unclear Position

People usually adopt just puppies and kittens from animal shelters.

**A. Read the given topic and write a sentence that clearly states your position on the issue. Use words that are clear and convincing.**

1. Using bicycles for transportation
2. Picking teams for gym class

**Position:** The library should buy the books students want to read.

### Persuading Classmates

Wouldn't you use the library more if it had better books?

### Persuading a Newspaper Editor

If the library had books by popular authors, students would use the library more often.

**B. Read the given position below. Write a supporting sentence to connect with and persuade each target audience.**

**Pair/Share Work with a partner to brainstorm arguments that each audience might have with your position.**

**Position: Students should be able to use the school gym on weekends.**

3. Persuading the school principal:
4. Persuading a caregiver: