Choosing a Topic for your persuasive speech

To make it easier for yourself, choose something where you can think of two sides to the argument. Avoid topics where it’s obvious – “we should be kind to everyone” – nobody would disagree with that! You would have trouble coming up with any counter arguments. There should be at least some points to consider on both sides.

Below is a list of suggested topics, but you can choose your own as long as you check it with me first.

some suggested topics:

* Boredom is good for kids.
* Being an only child is better than having siblings.
* All cars should be electric.
* Homework should be optional.
* The government should tax junk food because of the health risks.
* Playing video games is a good hobby for kids.
* Art is more important than maths.
* Should students be paid for having good grades?
* There should be only one currency that every country uses.
* Dogs are better than cats.
* Mosquitos are the most annoying of all bugs.
* Voice recognition locks are safer than fingerprint recognition locks.
* People should only eat foods they grow or catch.
* Parents of bullies should be punished for their child's actions.
* Classes should be grouped by ability levels rather than ages.
* Technology makes people's lives better.
* Daylight Savings Time should be eliminated.
* Aquariums and zoos are cruel to animals and should be banned.
* McDonald's is better than Hungry Jacks
* Should students be allowed to have phones in high school?
* Should students have to wear uniforms?
* All Australian citizens should have to complete a year of community service
* Should people be allowed to keep exotic animals like chimpanzees or tigers?
* Celebrities who break the law should face stricter penalties because of their influence.
* Should students who commit cyber-bullying be suspended from school?
* Students should be allowed to eat during class
* Schools should start later in the morning
* Should scientists be allowed to test products intended for human use on animals?
* Australian families should have a two-child max rule to limit population growth.
* Students who fail their classes should have to repeat the year.
* Dogs who have attacked someone should be put down.

IMPORTANT! **Check your topic with the teacher first, BEFORE beginning any research.**

persuasive speech: Planning Sheet

Counter argument

Argument three

Argument two

Argument one

HOOK & Thesis Statement

Conclusion & Call to Action