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Practice Question

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PERSUASIVE WRITING

DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL INSTRUCTED.

TIME ALLOWED: 30 MINUTES
5 minutes reading and planning time
20 minutes writing time
5 minutes checking time

STUDENT'S NAME:

WRITING

Read the instructions on the **ANSWER BOOKLET** and fill in your **NAME, SCHOOL** and **OTHER INFORMATION**.
Use a 2B or B pencil.
Do **NOT** use a pen.
Rub out any mistakes completely.

You are **NOT** allowed to use a dictionary or an electronic translator.

**Educational
Assessment
Australia**

Example of a persuasive writing task

Members of your local community are campaigning to stop the sale of junk food to children under twelve years of age. They want fast food outlets and shops to stop selling junk food to children unless they are with an adult.

Is it a good idea to stop selling junk food to children under twelve?

You have been asked to write an article to present a young person's point of view about this campaign.

Here are some things to think about before you start your planning:

NO	**OR**	**YES**

NO
- children like to eat junk food
- shopkeepers will not be able to check the age of every child

YES
- junk food is unhealthy
- parents should check what their children eat

In your writing you should clearly argue your point of view. You should provide reasons to support your argument. Include some of your own ideas as well.

Your writing should convince readers to agree with you.

HINTS
- Use the planning time to organise your ideas.
- Stay on the topic: **Is it a good idea to stop selling junk food to children under twelve?**
- Begin with an introduction that tells the reader your point of view and finish with a conclusion that sums up your arguments.
- Write in paragraphs.
- Write in sentences that are correct and varied.
- Pay attention to spelling and punctuation.
- Use the time at the end of the task to check and improve your writing.

The following year levels should sit THIS Paper:

Australia	Year 5
Hong Kong	Primary 5
Indonesia	Year 6
Malaysia	Standard 5
New Zealand	Year 6
Singapore	Primary 4

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PRACTICE QUESTION

HOW TO FILL OUT THIS SHEET:

USE 2B OR B PENCIL

- Rub out all mistakes completely.
- Print your details clearly in the boxes provided.
- Make sure you fill in only <u>one</u> oval in each column.

EXAMPLE 1: *Debbie Bach*

FIRST NAME: DEBBIE
LAST NAME: BACH

EXAMPLE 2: *Chan Ai Beng*

FIRST NAME: CHAN
LAST NAME: AI BENG

EXAMPLE 3: *Jamal bin Abas*

FIRST NAME: JAMAL BIN
LAST NAME: ABAS

FIRST NAME to appear on certificate

LAST NAME to appear on certificate

Are you male or female?
○ Male   ○ Female

Does anyone in your home usually speak a language other than English?
○ Yes   ○ No

School name: _____

DATE OF BIRTH

Day	Month	Year
0 0	0 0	0 0
1 1	1 1	1 1
2 2	2 2	2 2
3 3	3 3	3 3
4	4	4 4
5	5	5 5
6	6	6 6

CLASS (optional)

A K
B L
C M
D N
E O
F P
G Q

USE PENCIL ONLY

PLANNING SPACE