

Water Facts for Opinion Writing

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Teacher: _____

Directions: Read each of the following sentences. Put the number 1 in the box next to the best sentence to use in your writing. Then, choose two more sentences you will use in your writing. Put an X for sentences you don't want to use in your paragraph. You will choose three sentences in order to create a paragraph. These three sentences will be a part of our five sentence paragraph.

	Water covers 71% of the earth's surface, but over 90% of the water is ocean water.
	Out of all the water on the planet, about 3% of the water is drinkable.
	Across the world, about four thousand children die every single day from lack of clean water.
	In order to stay alive and healthy, the average person should drink 3 liters of water every day.
	In order to wash one load of laundry, it takes about 15 gallons of water.
	When you wash dishes by hand, most people use about 20 gallons of water.
	When you wash dishes in a dishwasher, the best dishwashers use approximately 5 gallons of water.
	In the United States, about a gallon and a half of water is used every time the toilet is flushed.
	For basic human usage and sanitation, you need to drink water, clean with water. The most common usage for water is washing clothes, washing dishes and flushing toilets.
	A ten minute shower uses about 25 gallons of water.
	It takes 1.5 Liters of water to make 1 L of bottled water.

Thesis Statements to choose from:

Directions: Choose one sentence to use that all your facts support. Also, it should be a sentence that you believe in so you can add some of your own ideas and elaboration.

	We should always dispose of dirty water down a drain.
	We should use the smallest amount of water possible.
	We should use nearby natural freshwater sources for all our water needs.
	We should use bottled water for all our water needs.
	We should use tap water for all our water needs.