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## Practice Creating Persuasive Leads

**Directions:** create a lead (attention catcher) for each of the following topics.

### Persuasive Leads

**Anecdote:** tell a short story (1-4 sentences) related to your topic.

**Question:** ask a question that pushes the reader toward your position (don't just repeat the topic)

1. Should classes be separated into boys and girls?

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My lead shows that my position is (circle one)

Pro (for)

Con (against)

2. Should college be free?

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My lead shows that my position is (circle one)

Pro (for)

Con (against)

3. Should people under the age of seventeen have an 11:00 PM curfew?

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My lead shows that my position is (circle one)

Pro (for)

Con (against)

4. Should students be allowed to bring MP3 players and electronic devices to school?

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My lead shows that my position is (circle one)                      Pro (for)                      Con (against)

5. Should people be punished for illegally downloading movies and music?

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My lead shows that my position is (circle one)                      Pro (for)                      Con (against)

6. Should smoking cigarettes be banned in all public places?

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My lead shows that my position is (circle one)                      Pro (for)                      Con (against)