

## Sample Answers

**Assignment:** Hope for Tigers: Multi-Paragraph Response

**Collection:** Differentiated Content: Argument: Middle School

Use the following answers as a reference while guiding students and grading student work. Keep in mind that answers will vary and this is just one way to correctly complete the assignment.

### Plan Your Persuasive Speech

**Step 1.** Read the article and the data sheet carefully.

#### Review the Reading & Prompt

What is the main idea of the article?

The article "Hope for Tigers" is about how India has been successful protecting the tiger population, but it needs to do more.

What is the assignment asking you to do?

This prompt asks me to state my position about whether there should be a new law in India forcing people who live in certain areas to move in order to help protect tigers.

**Step 2.** Now outline your speech. Use quotes and your own words to complete the Planner.

#### Introduce the Topic

Give some background information to let readers know about the topic.

An interesting fact is how since 2010 tigers have been at risk because of poaching and habitat loss, and the Indian government has been trying to protect them.

My Claim

After reviewing the information in the readings, I believe it is worth doing anything necessary to save the remaining tigers, including passing a law that requires people to move out of tiger habitats.

## Reasons & Evidence

### One Reason That Supports My Claim

One reason I believe this is because **conservation efforts are working**.

#### Evidence That Supports This Reason

According to one source, **"We have made significant strides in tiger conservation,"** says Nilanga Jayasinghe from the WWF. This means we have to keep going and do anything we can to save tigers.

#### Evidence That Supports This Reason

Another example is that there are currently about 4,000 tigers worldwide, more than before.

## Reasons & Evidence

### Another Reason That Supports My Claim

Another reason I believe this is because **efforts to save tigers seem to work for people as well**.

#### Evidence That Supports This Reason

One example of this is: **"There is a lot of national pride surrounding tigers,"** says wildlife expert Shari Rodriguez of Clemson University, in South Carolina.

#### Evidence That Supports This Reason

Another example is that **most people are willing to move,** according to the article.

## Opposing Argument & Counterclaim

### One Possible Objection to My Claim

Some people might argue that the government shouldn't make people move because it's too stressful.

### My Response

However, since the entire village is moving together, villagers can help one another adjust. Plus, saving the tiger population is worth it.

## Wrap Up

### Restate your claim in a different way.

In conclusion, I think people should be made to move out of places that would serve as good tiger habitats.

### Make a final call-to-action statement.

Think about this: I mean, people can live anywhere, but we only have one chance to save tigers, so let's vote to pass the law!

**Step 3.** Go back through the Planner and make any revisions you want to make. When you are satisfied with the information in your Planner, submit your Planner and begin to write your Draft.

## Hope for Tigers

An interesting fact about tigers is that in 2010, there were only 3,200 tigers left in the world, after poaching and habitat loss. After reading the article "Hope for Tigers" and the "Protecting Private Land" data sheet, I believe that it is worth doing anything necessary to save the remaining tigers, including passing a law requiring people to move out of tiger habitats.

One reason I believe this is because conservation efforts actually work. According to the article "Hope for Tigers", the evidence shows that "We have made significant strides in tiger conservation," says Nilanga Jayasinghe from the WWF. Furthermore, there are currently about 4,000 tigers worldwide, more than before. Since conservation efforts are working, we should keep going to increase the tiger population even more.

Another reason I believe this is that the law would be good for people too. For example, there is a lot of national pride surrounding tigers, says wildlife expert Shari Rodriguez. Another example is that most people are willing to move to save the tigers, according to the article.

Some people might argue that the government should not make people move out of tiger habitats because it's too stressful for the villagers to move. However, since the whole village is moving together, villagers can help each other adjust. Some temporary stress among the villagers is a small price to pay for saving the tigers from extinction.

In conclusion, I think people should be made to move out of places that would serve as good tiger habitats. Think about this: I mean, people can live anywhere, but we only have one chance to save tigers, so let's vote to pass the law!