

Gulliver's Travels

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Satire Essay

Using Satire, you are to write a persuasive essay attempting to change something about the Senior High that you do not agree with at this time. Choose your topic carefully, make sure the topic has enough substance. Remember the four **Satire Techniques** when you are writing:

- Exaggeration: present something beyond normal bounds
- Incongruity: present something out of place
- Parody: imitate the techniques of another person or thing
- Reversal: present the opposite of normal order

Remember that satire is meant to be humorous, but since this is a school essay, it needs to be kept at a "school appropriate" level. In other words PG rating.

Suggestions for topics:

- Dress code
- Teaching methods
- Administrators
- Lunch
- Technology
- Music
- Curriculum
- Schedule
- School calendar
- Chalkboards/Dry erase boards
- Extracurricular activities
 - ie. Band, sports, theater, clubs
- Graduation requirements
- Grading policies
- Counselors