

## Grade 6 SCR

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**117** Imagine that your family is moving to a new place and your pet will not be allowed to live there. Write a well-developed letter to persuade the person in authority to allow your pet to live there.



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Use as many lines as you need.

Governor of Denver,

This weekend my family and I are moving to your town. I have a dog named Buddy that I've had my whole life. I do not understand why you have denied him living there. He will not cause trouble for he will be in a fenced yard. He is not in prime so he will not breed. Buddy is an old dog that has never harmed anyone or anything. So, out of the goodness of your heart, please accept my dear old friend into Denver.

Sincerely,

Kelley L.

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6W0043

The response is focused and clearly develops the topic. The supporting details are relevant and specific (in a fenced yard, will not breed and has never harmed anyone). The paper has a beginning, middle and end. The words are accurate and a variety of sentence structures are used.

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Dear person in authority,

I have a pet turtle. My parents said that he can't come to my new house. A turtle should be allowed! He doesn't smell and he doesn't make any noise! His tank only needs to be cleaned twice a year. He is cool, can swim very well, is very smart, and he can't bite you. This is not just my pet, or my friend, he's the brother I've never had. Please let him stay.

Sincerely,

Sarah

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**6W0040**

The response is focused but the topic is not fully developed. The student provides many reasons why the pet should be allowed but does not elaborate on any of the reasons stated. There is a logical progression of ideas. The essay contains age-appropriate words and mostly simple sentence structures. Errors do not impede meaning.

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Dear Authority,

I know we are not allowed to have cats and dogs at this place. My dog is very well trained and could hand himself very nicely. He can also fold napkins and do many other things too. You should just give him a chance to live there.

sincerely,

The new person

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6W0035

Relevant information is provided but supporting details are lacking. When the student states "folding napkins" the reader needs to infer what the writer is trying to convey. The fluency of the paper is choppy. There is a logical progression of ideas. The essay contains common words and simple sentences.

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Don't go in the House becaus  
their well trained, so pleas  
let us let a cat's live  
with us.

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6W0028

This paper only contains one reason why the cat should be allowed to live there (well-trained). The essay is missing an introduction and only has a brief concluding sentence. Simple words and sentence structures are used. There are numerous errors in this short piece.