

# Language Arts Lesson 5

## Writing Applications (7th - 8<sup>th</sup> Grades)



### Practice Exercise 5-4

***Answer the following questions:***

1. The best way to influence how people think, feel, or act is to concentrate on shaping their attitudes?  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - a. true
  - b. false
  
2. Often readers will aggressively search for a weak line of reasoning in a persuasive essay. \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. true
  - b. false
  
3. To effectively persuade readers, it is best to organize your communication in an indirect pattern. \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. true
  - b. false
  
4. To be effective as a persuasive writer, you must establish your own credibility if the audience is to believe your argument. \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. true
  - b. false
  
5. Which is NOT a question a persuasive writer should ask when preparing an essay? \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. What do my readers and I have in common?
  - b. Does the proper conclusion follow from the assumptions I am making?
  - c. How can I mislead the readers into believing my assumptions?
  - d. Is the evidence for my argument just and appropriate?

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### Answer Key

1. b

2. a

3. b

4. a

5. c