## **Graded Writing Samples**

The following responses to the topic 'Books are better than TV' have been assessed using the 'Persuasive Marking Rubric' on pages 162–3. These are designed to show what you can expect from students as they progress from beginner to advanced writers.

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## **Year 3 Writing Sample**

Topic: Books are better than TV

Have you ever gotten lost in a book? Because I definitely have. An example of when I got lost in a book, was when I was reading one of my favourite books, 'The Land of Stories'. I got lost in this book because it is funny and happy, but also it's a bit dark. I also love it because it's a bit strange and I love that. Now whenever I'm reading a book in bed, I never want to stop! I never feel that way about TV!

Firstly, I think books are better than TV because when I am reading a book, I get so sucked in that I don't worry about any of my problems. I do enjoy TV but I don't get sucked into it like I do with books. When I read I also enjoy the peace and quiet. When it is quiet, I can connect my feelings to the book. For example, in a book I was reading, called 'The Babysitters Club', they had a really big fight and it reminded me about a fight I had with my friend and it made me think of their point of view. TV just doesn't do that for me.

Secondly, I think books are better than TV because, with books you can use your imagination like the characters voices and the settings. But with TV it's all just there for you which I don't particularly like because I like choosing my own things like making the characters have funny voices. I love using my imagination but TV doesn't let me do that.

In conclusion, I like books better than TV because it takes me away from my problems and I can use my imagination which I love. Why don't you go off and get lost in a book today!

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