

Power Of Equality Answer Key

Strong responses should include:

- A **clear opinion** that equality is still important in modern times.
- **Supporting reasons** that may mention fairness, respect, justice, or diversity.
- At least one **realistic action** people can take (e.g., standing up for others, treating everyone kindly, speaking out against bias).
- **Persuasive language** using emotional or logical appeal (e.g., "Everyone deserves respect" or "Our voices together can change things").
- Complete sentences forming a well-organized paragraph.

Teacher's Guide

- Start with a class brainstorm of what equality looks like today (e.g., gender fairness, inclusion, equal opportunities).
- Review persuasive writing structure: **topic sentence, supporting details, conclusion**.
- Model one or two sentences aloud using powerful, emotion-driven vocabulary.

Differentiation:

- *Grades 6-7:* Provide sentence starters like "Equality is important because..." or "One way we can support fairness is..."
- *Grades 8-9:* Challenge students to include rhetorical questions or evidence from a historical or current example.
- *Advanced:* Have students craft a persuasive closing statement that calls readers to action.

Extension Ideas:

- Have students write a short **speech version** of their paragraph and present it aloud.
- Connect to current events by asking students to identify one example of progress or challenge related to equality today.