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| **Persuasive Writing Introduction Plan** |
| **Topic:** *Should greyhound racing be allowed in Australia?* |
| **Thesis Statement:** *Greyhound racing should be banned across Australia* |
| **Hook (circle one)** |
| Strong statement | Quote | Fact or Statistic | Anecdote/Personal story |
| Rhetorical question | Narrative | Outrageous Statement/Hyperbole | Riddle |
| **Hook:** *"Sadly, although there are plenty of shelters dedicated to re-homing greyhounds, there are just too many discarded by the racing industry to find homes for them all and about 10,000 young and healthy and lovable dogs are killed every year." - RSPCA 2015* |
| **Reason for paragraph 1:** *The greyhound industry causes the deaths of thousands of greyhounds every year* |
| **Reason for paragraph 2:** *Greyhound racing results in the injury and mistreatment of dogs* |
| **Reason for paragraph 3:** *Greyhound racing promotes a gambling culture which is tearing families apart.* |
| **Re-state thesis statement:** *Greyhound racing should be banned.* |

**Writing Steps**

1. Hook
2. Thesis statement
3. Reason 1
4. Reason 2
5. Reason 3
6. Re-state thesis statement

Example introduction using our plan:

*"Sadly, although there are plenty of shelters dedicated to re-homing greyhounds, there are just too many discarded by the racing industry to find homes for them all and about 10,000 young and healthy and lovable dogs are killed every year." - RSPCA 2015. Greyhound racing should be banned across Australia. The greyhound industry causes the deaths of thousands of greyhounds every year, it results in the injury and mistreatment of dogs, and greyhound racing promotes a gambling culture which is tearing families apart. There is no doubt greyhound racing should be banned.*

*If you can follow these steps you should have a strong introduction every time ☺*