

## WRITING A LETTER TO DEFEND A CAMPAIGN

1 Dear Mr. Peterson

2 I am writing you today, as the President of the “Students Against  
3 Sweatshops Organisation”, regarding a very important topic : working  
4 rights. My intervention should not come as a surprise to you, since you’ve  
5 probably read the latest spread of “sports update” newspaper, accusing  
6 you of disrespecting worker’s basic rights such as : minimum wage,  
7 overtime as well as child labour.

8 Before I start to explain my point of view, I am simply speaking up  
9 for what I believe in, in hope to convince you to act accordingly. You  
10 might know what’s going on around you, without really realising the  
11 consequences. Your employees are human beings just like you and me,  
12 working long hours for wages that aren’t even enough to feed, clothe and  
13 shelter their families. They are denied visits to the toilet and sick leave in  
14 order to maintain high production quotas. Verbal and physical abuse is  
15 common, but safety and health are neglected.

16 If these statements still do not awake your consciousness, let me ask  
17 you something : What if it was you, out there fighting for your human  
18 rights? What if it was your your children being exploited?

19 Please Sir, take the time to think about that. One order from you  
20 makes it all stop immediately. The money you would loose from changing  
21 your employees working conditions is insignificant next to the lives you  
22 would change. I don’t know if you would be influenced by my letter or  
23 not. So here you go I fulfilled my duty. Now, will you fulfil yours ?

24 Hope you’ll take my words into deep consideration,

25 Best regards,

*Larapark\_uni*

**COMPREHENSION**

A. Read and mention the lines and phrases connected to the following headings

Greetings :

Identity of the writer :

Motivation of the writer :

The body of the letter :

The closing

Expressions to touch the reader :

a-

b-

c-

d-

Expressions to convince the reader :

**LEXIQUE**

1. Read again and find the words related to work :

2. Find the words related to abuse :

**WRITING**

Write a letter on the same pattern to your teacher about your fears for the scandal of the kloredecone.