**Chapter 20**

**METHODS OF PERSUASION**

**Chapter 20 Sample Speech Topics**

1. **Persuasive/*”Graffiti is Really Art”***

Although this topic is certainly debatable, taking one side fosters much debate and interest.

<http://iml.jou.ufl.edu/projects/fall07/Sanchez/art.html>

This piece argues why graffiti should be considered as an art form although there is opposition to that view.

<http://learning.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/02/19/can-graffiti-ever-be-considered-art/?_r=0>

This *New York Times’* piece reviews a book about a famous (or infamous) graffiti artist.

1. **Persuasive/”*Why Babies Should Never Sleep Alone ”***

Although most American infants and babies do not sleep with a parent, in many cultures this practice is considered normal and beneficial.

<https://cosleeping.nd.edu/assets/31970/mckenna_why_babies_should_n.pdf>

This site surveys an exhaustive amount of data that support babies’ not sleeping alone.

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/15911459>

This research argues why the age-old argument “never sleep with your baby” should be rescinded.