



*using the 4-Square to Write
a Persuasive Essay on a Great Gift*

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To begin with,

Healthy (exercise)

- Makes my muscles stronger
- Good for my heart
- Keeps my bones strong

Paragraph 2

In addition,

Responsible

- Take care of it – keep it out of the way of cars in the garage
- Use it for my paper route
- Use it to go to my piano lessons

Paragraph 3

Paragraph 1 (Introduction)

A new bike would be a great gift for me.

Also,

Fun

- Go on bike rides with my friends
- Ride to Little League Park to
- More fun than T.V.!

Paragraph 4

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and to have fun.

(Conclusion) Paragraph 5

A Great Gift

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Also, riding a bike is fun. I would love to go on bike rides with my friends. It would also be fun to ride to the Little League Park to play ball. Best of all, riding a bike is more fun than watching T.V.!

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