Persuasive Paragraph – some hints!!!

PSST- First Nations, Indigenous, Aboriginal, Native American… is a proper noun- capitalize it please!

**Titles**

Chief Wahoo? Get a Clue

The Native American Mascot: Tribute or Stereotype?

**Opening Lines**

Once upon a time, there were Indians.. or what explorers thought were Indians. Tribes of people that lived on this country before us are all crammed under the word “Indian” or “Native”.

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S-T-E-R-E-O-T-Y-P-E: Canadians are nice; Italians shout a lot. Germans only drink beer and speak harshly. Russians drink vodka and admire Karl Marx for his manifesto about the ideal society. The French wear a silk scarf on their neck and they are the best example of a snob. But that is not the end. After all these hilarious jokes, starts the targeting of real people.

**Voice!**

Do they do so by waving around the skin they ripped off First Nations? For the uneducated people who don’t know where the Red Skins name originated from, it came from when First Nations who were brutally skinned and handed in for reward. So yes, please cheer for that team that continues to hold up their Red Skin flags.

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So, if you would be okay with having a “New York White Crackers” as a team or a “San Francisco Chinamen” then it is fine. But no one should be okay with it. It’s degrading and offensive to call your team after a racial slur. If you’re causing people to stop saying your name because of reasons other than “that team sucks” you’ve got a problem.

**Sentence Fluency**

So how does a logo with such good intentions get turned into something so blatantly offensive? The fans. Fans have shown up to games with their faces painted bright red……

**Sentence Fluency Voice**

Shouldn’t they try to wipe this image that Indians are savage and they are different from ‘normal’ people? Yes, they should. But they won’t. Why? Simply because that brings them money. They can use it as their trademark and create their “own style”. Unfortunately, that’s how the world works.

**Quote usage and in-text citation**

They don’t know that Eskimos are really known as Inuit and that just because they don’t look like Pocahontas doesn’t mean they are not indigenous. As Winona Linn once said in a passionate spoken word: “He could only call me out because of the colour of my skin/but my skin doesn’t match his perception of Indian” (Linn, 2013**). (*YouTube or online videos are in-text citation with author and date*)**

….with a research survey estimating that around 9/10 of First Nations feel no negative affection towards the names; moreover, in the past the Natives themselves as well as their Chiefs even in official statements and speeches referred to themselves as “Redskins”. (Shapira) **(Online sources is formatted according to the References (Bibliography). The FIRST word in the reference is the word you use in the in-text citation)**

**Misplaced modifier**

While team owners might not admit that they are being discriminated against, the actual First Nations would think different.