PRACTICE PERSUASIVE WRITING ASSESSMENT

Write a persuasive piece arguing whether or not you believe the Olympics are a waste of money. Be sure to draw from the stimulus material as well as your own ideas.

The cost of the 2016 Rio de Janerio Summer Olympic Games was estimated to be $20 billion dollars.

‘The Olympics are a wonderful metaphor for world cooperation, the kind of international competition that’s wholesome and healthy, an interplay between countries that represents the best in all of us.’

John Williams has written theme music for four Olympic games.
Use this planning table to help you construct your piece and help you think about the persuasive strategies that you wish to use in your writing.

You have 5 minutes to plan your piece and 30 minutes writing time. Your planning will not be assessed.

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MOVE TO NEXT PAGE TO COMMENCE YOUR WRITING WHEN INSTRUCTED.
Begin writing your persuasive piece below. Remember that the purpose is to persuade the reader to take your side in the argument.