

Read two opinions about the images. Which text makes these points? In some cases more than one answer may be possible.

1

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1 It can be a way to meet people. 1 2
2 It is more creative than people imagine. 1 2
3 Both men and women enjoy it. 1 2
4 It's a way to express your identity. 1 2
5 You don't need to associate it with violence. 1 2

KEY VOCABULARY: Storytelling – Types of stories

A Complete the sentences with the words in the box. You will need to use the plural in some cases.

anecdote	myth	report	tale	version
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1. The correspondent sent in a **report** on damage caused by the hurricane.
2. The victim told the reporters his **version** of what happened.
3. Some people are very **entertaining**: they can tell good jokes and **anecdotes**.
4. A **myth** is a story that people wrongly believe to be true.
5. Another word for a traditional story; we can read **folk tales**, for example.

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Choose the correct word to complete the sentences.

1. My husband tells the most **entertaining** jokes
a. and...
b. versions.
c. anecdotes.
c. reports.
2. I saw a **really upsetting** ... on the news about famine in Afghanistan.
a. report
b. myth
c. tale
3. My kids find some of the Grimm brothers' **fairy** ... very scary.
a. tales
b. anecdotes
c. myths

4. Caesar salad isn't named after **Julius Caesar**. That's just a ...!
a. version
b. tale
c. myth

5. Two people will always tell a slightly different ... of the same event.
a. anecdote
b. tale
c. version



4 Listen to two different opinions about soccer and hip-hop. Does each person a) agree b) partly agree with the opinions expressed in the texts?

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Speaker 1:
with the opinions on the first text.

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Speaker 2:
with the opinions on the first text.

b Listen again. What points do they make? Write down the two expressions with story that you hear. What do you think they mean?

Speaker 1 point:

Speaker 2 point:

Expressions and meaning:

KEY VOCABULARY: Storytelling – Expressions with story

B Match the words in bold to the synonyms in the box.
Think about the context.

authorized	complicated	main
real	well-known	

1. It's moving because it's based on a **true** story.
2. That's a **familiar** story. How many times have we heard this tragedy repeat itself?
3. That's the **official** version, but nobody knows what really happened that night.
4. The **top** story today is soccer violence.
5. Sorry, it's a **long** story; you'd better not listen to it now.

In what context do you think you would see or hear these sentences?

I suppose the first sentence could be seen / heard in a movie review...

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Read the sentences. Select True or False.

1. A familiar story is one that is well known.
True False
2. An official story is one that is authorized.
True False
3. A top story in a newspaper isn't very important.
True False
4. If someone tells you a long story, it only takes a couple of minutes.
True False
5. A true story isn't based on real events.
True False

