Name: _____

Author's Purpose Activity 2

Directions: Read the descriptions of each item and determine the author's purpose (to entertain, persuade, or inform). Then, in a sentence or two, explain your answer.

1. A pamphlet urging people not to eat animals or use products made from animals or animal suffering because the author thinks that is cruel and unnecessary

Author's Purpose: _____

2. A book of over 1,000 knock-knock jokes

Author's Purpose: _____

3. A cook book containing recipes for making cakes, cookies, and other desserts

Author's Purpose: _____

4. The story of a young woman who, after the death of her grandfather, quit her job in the business world and returned home to help her aging grandmother

Author's Purpose: _____

5. A politician's speech about how homes should be provided to families who cannot afford them

Author's Purpose: _____

6. A poem about a "packrat," a person who refuses to throw things away, even things that most people would consider garbage

Author's Purpose: _____

7. An article comparing and contrasting American and Swedish health care systems

Author's Purpose: _____

8. The Shakespearean tragedy Romeo and Juliet, where two young lovers are forbidden from seeing one another due to a centuries old blood feud between their two families

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Author's Purpose: _____

9. A young girl's note to her parents giving reasons why they should buy a puppy

Author's Purpose: _____

10. A website describing a local dog leash ordinance, detailing its history and the penalties for walking around with one's dog unleashed

Author's Purpose: _____

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