Exercise 2

*Read the information. Then read the statements. Do they give facts or the writer's opinions? Choose Fact or Opinion.*

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| In the IELTS Reading test, it is important to distinguish between facts and opinions. A fact is something that can be proven to have happened or to exist. An opinion is a thought or belief about someone or something. |

1. Considerable amounts of money were spent on improving the region's infrastructure.
   - Fact
   - Opinion
2. The minister's announcement attracted widespread criticism in the media.
   - Fact
   - Opinion
3. Little thought appears to have been given to the future use of the site.
   - Fact
   - Opinion
4. According to the latest government figures, life expectancy increased by 5 years in the first 15 years of the century.
   - Fact
   - Opinion
5. Millions of dollars were wasted on the project, and could and should have been spent in other ways.
   - Fact
   - Opinion
6. Arguably, it would be hard to function effectively in the modern world without a basic knowledge of maths.
   - Fact
   - Opinion

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