



Workshop: Identifying Facts and Opinions



Remember:

A FACT is something that is true and can be proven by doing research.

An OPINION is something you feel, think or believe about a particular topic.

1. Read each sentence and determine if it is a FACT or an OPINION.

- Sunday is the best day of the week.

- Valentine's day is celebrated on February 14th.

- The first day of school year is scary.

- Everyone should go and visit the new Gorilla habitat in the zoo.

- Canaries sing beautifully.

- A Giant Tortoise can live over 150 years.

- I really enjoyed the football game last weekend.

- Brazil is located in the continent of South America.

- I think Rock is the best type of music ever.

- Swimming is a water sport.

- Running is the best form of exercise.

- The train tickets cost \$ 10 dollars each.

2. Spaghetti FACTS and OPINIONS.

Determine if the following statements are FACTS or OPINIONS.



I ate three meatballs with my spaghetti dinner.	Fact ☐	Opinion ☐
My mother made salad to eat with our spaghetti dinner.	Fact ☐	Opinion ☐
We ought to have a spaghetti dinner every week.	Fact ☐	Opinion ☐
My father makes the most delicious spaghetti dinners in the world.	Fact ☐	Opinion ☐
Everyone should sprinkle cheese on top of their spaghetti.	Fact ☐	Opinion ☐
Dad uses Grandma's secret recipe to make spaghetti sauce.	Fact ☐	Opinion ☐
My family had spaghetti for dinner last Thursday.	Fact ☐	Opinion ☐
Italian bread tastes best when it is dipped in spaghetti sauce.	Fact ☐	Opinion ☐

3. Read the following passage.



A visit to the Zoo

Sandra went to the zoo with her parents on Saturday. It took them an hour to get there because there was a lot of traffic. Sandra had lots of fun looking at all of the animals. The polar bears were really cute. The lions looked ferocious and wild. She even had a chance to see a giraffe during feeding time. On the drive home, Sandra fell asleep because she was so tired.

Identify if the following statements can be described as FACTS or OPINIONS.

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| • Sandra went to the zoo with her parents. | FACT | OPINION |
| • The polar bears were cute. | FACT | OPINION |
| • She saw a giraffe during feeding time. | FACT | OPINION |
| • The lions looked ferocious and wild. | FACT | OPINION |
| • On the way home, Sandra fell asleep because she was too tired. | FACT | OPINION |