

# Comprehension - Author's Purpose

## HERE'S WHY



Four Main Reasons Why Author's Write

### PERSUADE

To convince the reader of something.

### INFORM

To give the reader information about a topic.

### ENTERTAIN

To get the interest of the reader - for enjoyment.

### SHARE FEELINGS

To share with the reader emotions and feelings.

**Directions:** Read each paragraph. Write to tell about the author's purpose for each paragraph.

*There are many different types of bad weather, but in The Bahamas, we experience hurricanes. A hurricane is a large rotating storm with high speed winds. Hurricanes form over the warm waters of tropical areas. The time frame for hurricane season is from June to November of each year. There have been hurricanes that have formed outside of that time frame though. The worst hurricane on record for The Bahamas was Hurricane Dorian which hit in September 2019. It was a category 5 hurricane.*

What is the author's purpose? \_\_\_\_\_

*Bahamian music, there is no better sound in all the world. You shouldn't even dare to listen to anything else! Goombay, Rake 'n' Scrape, Calypso, and Junkanoo music make up the amazing music of our country. There are so many reasons to love Bahamian music. It can be fun like "Who Let the Dogs Out?", historical like "Burma Road" or simply cultural like "Naughty Johnny." Our music can make you stand tall and proud or have every muscle in your body bouncing. It's really the best music ever!*

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*Listen y'all, let me tell you about how fantastic the Cat Island Rake 'n' Scrape festival! I had so much fun, it was unbelievable. While I love good music, I didn't really want to go to the festival. But it was amazing! There were so many different groups of people playing and they were all soooooo good! As I walked around the festival grounds, I got to meet so many wonderful people as well as tried some delicious island food. The best thing I ate was the spicy fish fritters, with the tangy, sweet sauce. I can't wait until next year!*

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*Everyday for the past year, Sanza and Patty were saving every extra bit of money they got for when they go on summer vacation. The girls had their calendars marked off and every two weeks they would pour all their money out of their secret box and count it. This year, the family was going to Orlando, Florida and the girls were super excited. Last year when the family traveled they didn't get to do any shopping of their own. So this year they get to buy whatever they want with the money they saved ... and they had BIG plans to have a ball in the mall!*

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*Did you know that the best time to catch crabs is during May and June? That's because those are the rainy months. Since those are hot months as well, it is best to look for crabs in the night time, when it is cooler. If the area is a wet area, like a pond, swamp or marsh, you will probably find a whole lot of crabs. Crabs like to dig and bury themselves in the soft ground of wet areas.*

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