Fact or Opinion?

The greatest and toughest rally the world, the Dakar's history has been written in the heart of some of the world's most stunning deserts and belongs to the world of the greatest sporting challenges of our time.

Both a motor race and an *orienteering challenge, the Dakar Rally pits some of the world's greatest long-distance rally drivers against amateur competitors for whom the race is often the *culmination of their dreams and who come to take up the challenge with their motorcycles, quad bikes, cars and trucks. Participants of fifty nationalities come together every year for this race where competition and help go hand in hand, which is watched on television in 190 countries. From www.dakar.com

1. Is the statement a fact or opinion?		**Fact**	**Opinion**
A	The greatest and toughest rally the world		
B	the world's most stunning deserts		
C	to take up the challenge with their motorcycles, quad bikes, cars, and trucks		
D	Participants of fifty nationalities come together every year		
E	which is watched on television in 190 countries		
	the race is often the culmination of their dreams		

2. How did you know which of the points above were facts and which were opinions?

3. Writers also use statistics to make the effects sound convincing. Which of the statements in question 1 used statistics?

4. What is the writer's view of the Dakar Rally? Use the following sentence starter: *The writer views the Dakar Rally as....*

5. Write down two of the opinions you selected in question 1 and explain them in your own words. For example: "The greatest and toughest rally the world "means the Dakar Rally is one of the ultimate sporting contests.

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