

Directions: Read each of the following sentences and identify the author's purpose.

1 Dogs are the best pets. They are very loving and helpful. It's fun to teach them new tricks. You should get a dog.

What is the author's purpose?

To entertain

To persuade

To inform

2 There are many different kinds of cats in this world. They come in many colors and sizes.

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3 Rabbit thought Turtle was slow. So, rabbit and turtle has a race. Rabbit fell asleep and turtle won the race.

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4 Joe had been fishing for over two hours without a single bite. Suddenly there was a nibble at the end of his fishing line. He stood up on the boat and leaned out too far. Just then there was a sharp yank on the line. Joe fell overboard and landed head first into the water. Joe and his friends laughed and laughed.

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5 The giant panda is a bearlike animal that has thick white fur with black markings on its ears, limbs, shoulders, and around its eyes.

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6 "Buy It Because It's the Better Car." *From: The Old Ford's Advertisement for Model*

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