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FACT OR OPINION

FACT: A fact is a *true statement* about something that can be *tested* and *proven* to be true. It is *information* that *can be verified*. Example: There are 12 months in a year. **I can** go to a calendar and **verify** that there are 12 months in a year.

OPINION: An opinion is based on *feelings, beliefs, thoughts, ideas* or *attitudes* towards a particular topic. It *cannot be tested nor proven* because it is always changing and varies from person to person.

Example: December is the best month of the year. **I cannot verify, test, nor prove this**, because it is based on someone's ideas, thoughts or beliefs about the month of December.

As you read the following sentences, determine if they are facts or opinions. THINK-- Can they be proven? Are they based on ideas or feelings? Write fact or opinion on the line before the sentence.

1. _____ The best music is hip-hop.
2. _____ A piano is a musical instrument.
3. _____ There are 26 letters in the English alphabet.
4. _____ English is the best language on earth.
5. _____ Camping is fun.
6. _____ Puerto Rico is an island.
7. _____ Blue is the most beautiful color.
8. _____ There are seven (7) days in the week.
9. _____ Saturday is the best day of the week.
10. _____ January is the first (1st) month of the year.