1. Name: _____ Date: _____

FACT AND OPINION

If something is *true*, or it *really happened*, it is a **fact.**

If something is *what someone thinks or believes*, it is an **opinion**.

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As you read this story, think about what parts are fact and what parts are opinion.

It was almost Halloween, and Maria still hadn't thought of a costume. Her sister Louisa was going as a hot dog, and Maria thought that was the best idea ever. Louisa always took Maria trick-or-treating, and they always had costumes that went together. But this year, Louisa had been too busy with her friends to help Maria with a costume. Maria didn't know what to do.

Maria was looking in some magazines for costume ideas when her mom asked her to go with her to the grocery store. At the store, in the Halloween candy aisle, Maria saw a tall, pointed red hat that gave her a great idea. The hat only cost two dollars, so Maria's mom bought it for her. Maria skipped all the way to the car. She had a costume! She was going to be…KETCHUP!

2. What was Maria's problem? _____

3. Where, in the store, did Maria find a tall, pointed red hat? _____

4. Why do you think Maria decided to go as KETCHUP? _____

5. What would be a great title for this story? _____

Circle the word "fact" if it is *true* or it *really happened* in the story.
Circle the word "opinion" if it is *what someone thinks or believes*.

6.	Louisa's costume was a hot dog.	fact	opinion
7.	Louisa had been too busy to help Maria.	fact	opinion
8.	Maria was happy about her costume idea.	fact	opinion
9.	The red hat cost two dollars.	fact	opinion

10. Write another opinion from the story about Maria. _____

LIVEWORKSHEETS
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As you read this story, think about what parts are **fact** and what parts are **opinion**.

Jack lives in a small town in Australia. The closest big city is an hour's drive away. Jack looks forward to going to the city because when they drive through the countryside they almost always see kangaroos. Sometimes they even see a baby kangaroo riding in its mother's pouch.

Jack knows all about kangaroos. A baby is called a joey, a mother is called a doe, and a father is called a boomer. A group of kangaroos is called a mob.

Once, Jack saw a kangaroo jump about three times its height. It was an amazing sight! He knows that when kangaroos are hopping along at high speed, they can go as fast as 40 miles per hour.

Jack also knows that even though kangaroos are fun to look at, you wouldn't want to try to pet one. If a kangaroo thinks it is in danger, it just might lean back on its big tail and kick you with its back feet.

Circle the word "fact" if it is *true* or it *really happened* in the story.
Circle the word "opinion" if it is *what someone thinks or believes*.

1.	Jack lives an hour's drive away from the city.	fact	opinion
2.	Jack likes when his family drives to the city.	fact	opinion
3.	Baby kangaroos are called joeys.	fact	opinion
4.	Jack was amazed at the sight of a kangaroo jumping almost three times its height.	fact	opinion
5.	Jack knows that kangaroos can be dangerous.	fact	opinion

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6. What is one other **fact** from the story about Jack?

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