

Name _____ Date _____

Directions: Read each passage and write the author's purpose (persuade, entertain, inform).

1. Tom is a funny cat. He likes to sing and dance all day long. He likes to wear his favorite purple hat.

Author's purpose: _____

2. Skittles are the best candy ever made! Some are sweet and some are sour. They come in so many beautiful colors. You should go out and buy some!

Author's purpose: _____

3. Apples grow on trees. Some apples are red and some apples are green. People use apples to make apple pie or apple sauce. Apples are a healthy fruit.

Author's purpose: _____

4. Marcy likes to read books about animals. She goes to the library to check out books. When she gets home, she spends all day reading.

Author's purpose: _____

5. Target is the best place to shop! You can find everything you need in Target. They have great prices! Everyone should shop at Target.

Author's purpose: _____

6. Here is a funny joke: What do cows like to eat? Smooooothies!!!

Author's purpose: _____