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The development of a reliable steam engine in the late 1700s sparked the Industrial Revolution.	Inform
Erosion is the process of materials moving from their source to another location through weathering.	Inform
Students should have access to computers at school. Studies show it improves student learning.	Persuade
You should never tell a lie. Abraham Lincoln was known for being truthful and he is an excellent role model.	Persuade
One afternoon, a lost puppy followed Xander home. He asked his mom if he could keep it, and she said yes!	Entertain
In the year 3659, the first alien spaceship landed on Earth. After that, human beings were wiped from existence.	Entertain
Igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary are three types of rocks.	Inform
Can you believe that cats sleep 12-16 hours per day?	Inform
Did you know that a shark is the only known fish that can blink with both eyes?	Inform
Did you know that Maine is the only state in the United States that has a one-syllable name?	Inform
During the Revolutionary War, the 13 American colonies fought for independence from British rule.	Inform
You should know that the human brain is made up of three different parts: the cerebrum, the cerebellum, and the brain stem.	Inform
There are 24 time zones on Earth.	Inform
The first 10 amendments to the Constitution of the United States are called the Bill of Rights.	Inform
You should watch "Toy Story" before watching its sequel.	Persuade

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The chocolate ice cream at the deli on Third Street is the best in town.	Persuade
Don't eat the meat surprise in the cafeteria!	Persuade
It's important to brush your teeth twice a day to prevent cavities.	Persuade
Students should have at least 15 minutes of recess during a school day. After all, students shouldn't be expected to sit all day!	Persuade
Did you know the roller coaster at Adventure Town is the best ride in the country?	Persuade
If you buy the J-500s, you'll be able to run faster and jump higher!	Persuade
Make sure to sleep at least eight hours every night. Doctors say that healthy sleep can help prevent illness!	Persuade
Once upon a time, a terrible ogre kidnapped princess Leona. For 16 years, she was locked away in his dungeon.	Entertain
Thirty red balloons floated up into the sky. Valerie watched them in awe, wondering where they would end up.	Entertain
During the Industrial Revolution, Jacob worked hard at the local factory. He hated the long hours, but he knew his family counted on him.	Entertain
Long ago, in a deep, mysterious forest, a tiny fairy was born.	Entertain
Elizabeth lay awake in her bed, nervously listening to the sounds of cannons in the distance. It was 1775, the beginning of the Revolutionary War.	Entertain
Harold the Hippo danced across the plains and dove gracefully into the watering hole.	Entertain
At the peak of the Great Depression, Tom was excited to learn that his family would leave their farm in Oklahoma and move to California.	Entertain
At Disneyland I saw all the characters from "Moana" and I got to ride four roller coasters!	Entertain