

AUTHOR'S PURPOSE SORT: IT'S AS EASY AS PIE!

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Authors have three main purposes for writing:

1. **Persuade.** The author wants you to believe or do something.
2. **Inform.** The author wants to tell or teach you something.
3. **Entertain.** The author wants to tell you a story that you will enjoy.

Remember the word **PIE!** It is a trick to remember the three main reasons why authors write text.

DIRECTIONS: Sort the story descriptions into the correct category. Write the number in the correct column in the chart. An example has been done for you.

Persuade	Inform	Entertain
2, 5, 8	6, 7, 9	1, 3, 4

1. A book about a girl who meets a magical horse
2. An advertisement that tries to convince you to buy a new car
3. A poem that is about a boy who traveled through all four seasons
4. A short story about a fictional basketball championship
5. A billboard that displays pictures and ticket prices for a new local water park
6. A book with information about the wild animals of Mexico
7. A newspaper article about schools where students wear uniforms
8. A television commercial about the latest phone
9. An article in the sports section of the newspaper that includes team schedules and scores