

ANSWER SHEET

Fact or Opinion Sentences



¶ **A fact** is a statement that is true and can be proven. Usually facts are used in writing to **inform, or give information to**, the reader.

¶ **An opinion** is a statement of belief. It tells what someone thinks or feels and can not always be proven true. Usually opinions are used in writing to **persuade, or convince**, the reader.

Directions: Determine whether each sentence is a fact or an opinion. Write F for fact and O for opinion on the line provided next to each sentence. Circle the sentences the author would use to **persuade** a reader.

1. There are 340 different species or types of hummingbirds. F
2. Hummingbirds have 1,000–1,500 feathers. F
3. I think hummingbirds are the most beautiful birds in the world. O
4. Hummingbirds cannot smell but can see very well. F
5. Wild hummingbirds usually live for 3–12 years. F
6. People should not keep hummingbirds as pets because they are wild animals. O
7. Colombia has a type of hummingbird that is in danger of extinction, or dying off so there are no more of that type of hummingbird. F
8. More scientists must educate people on how to protect these delicate birds. O

Directions: Write one fact and one opinion sentence on the same topic. See the example in the first row.

SAMPLE ANSWERS

Topic	Fact	Opinion
Bananas	Bananas have a lot of potassium.	I think bananas are delicious.
Homework	We get one page of math homework every day.	I love doing math homework!
Recess	Morning recess at our school is 15 minutes.	Mia's favorite time of day is recess.
School lunch	On Fridays, the school lunch is pizza.	Ryan does not like school lunch.