

Sheet 5: Why did the author write this?

Worked example:

Read this: 'Once upon a time, a dragon and a knight shared a cup of tea.' Is this to inform, entertain, or persuade?

Answer: Entertain (it is a story meant for enjoyment).

- **Match the text type to its main purpose (Inform, Entertain, or Persuade):**

A recipe for chocolate cake - Inform A funny poem about a dancing zebra - Entertain An advert saying why you should visit the park - Persuade

- **Pip the caterpillar wrote: 'Honeybees are important because they pollinate flowers.' Is Pip trying to inform, entertain, or persuade?**

- **Nova the owl wrote: 'You must come to the library because it is the best place in the world!' Is Nova trying to inform, entertain, or persuade?**

- **Max the monkey wrote a story about a brave astronaut monkey. Is Max trying to inform, entertain, or persuade?**

- **Write a short sentence that is meant to inform a friend about the weather.**

Self-check: Check your answers: 'Inform' gives facts, 'Entertain' tells a story or joke, and 'Persuade' tries to make you agree or take action.

Ready for next: Once you can spot the difference between facts and opinions, you are ready for the next level!