

Sheet 11: Facts, Opinions, and Purpose

Worked example:

Read this sentence: 'The local library opened at 9:00 am today, which is far too early for anyone.' Identify the fact and the opinion.

Answer: Fact: The library opened at 9:00 am. Opinion: 9:00 am is far too early.

- **Read this short report by Pip: 'The BookFlik Forest Festival took place on Saturday. Over 500 people attended the event. It was the most exciting day of the year!'**

Identify one fact from the report. Identify one opinion from the report.

- **Circle whether the following sentences are a Fact or an Opinion.**

The sun rose at 6:15 am. (Fact / Opinion) The sunrise looked beautiful today. (Fact / Opinion)

- **Why did the author write the report about the festival? Choose from: To inform, To entertain, or To persuade.**

Purpose:

- **Match the sentence type to its definition.**

Fact: Can be proven true or false. Opinion: A person's belief or feeling.

- **Write one fact about your school and one opinion about your favourite subject.**

Fact: Opinion:

Self-check: Check your answers: Facts must be provable with evidence, while opinions use descriptive words like 'best', 'boring', or 'exciting'.

Ready for next: Once you can confidently spot the difference between what happened and what someone thinks about it, you are ready to identify an editor's stance.