

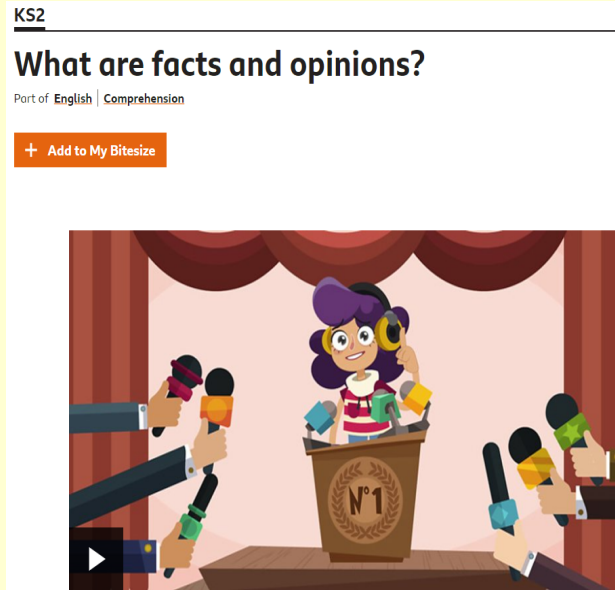
This week's reading focus:

I can distinguish between statements of fact and opinion.

Day 1

Fact or opinion?

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zs44jxs/articles/z3wgqhv>



Watch the video.

Facts:

- Facts are definitely true.
- They can be backed up with evidence.
- For example, 'the Prime Minister is giving a speech.'

Opinions:

- Your opinion is how you feel.
- Other people might think differently, they have a different opinion.
- For example, 'having a teenager as Prime Minister is a terrible idea.'

Day 1: Fact or opinion?

A **fact** is a true statement.
An **opinion** is what someone thinks.

Look down the list and decide which of these sentences are facts (F) or opinions (O).

1. January is the first month in the year.
2. Madrid is the capital of Spain.
3. Football is the best sport.
4. It is 19°C today.
5. Sammy's hair looks better when it is long.
6. I am really good at running.
7. I am shivering.

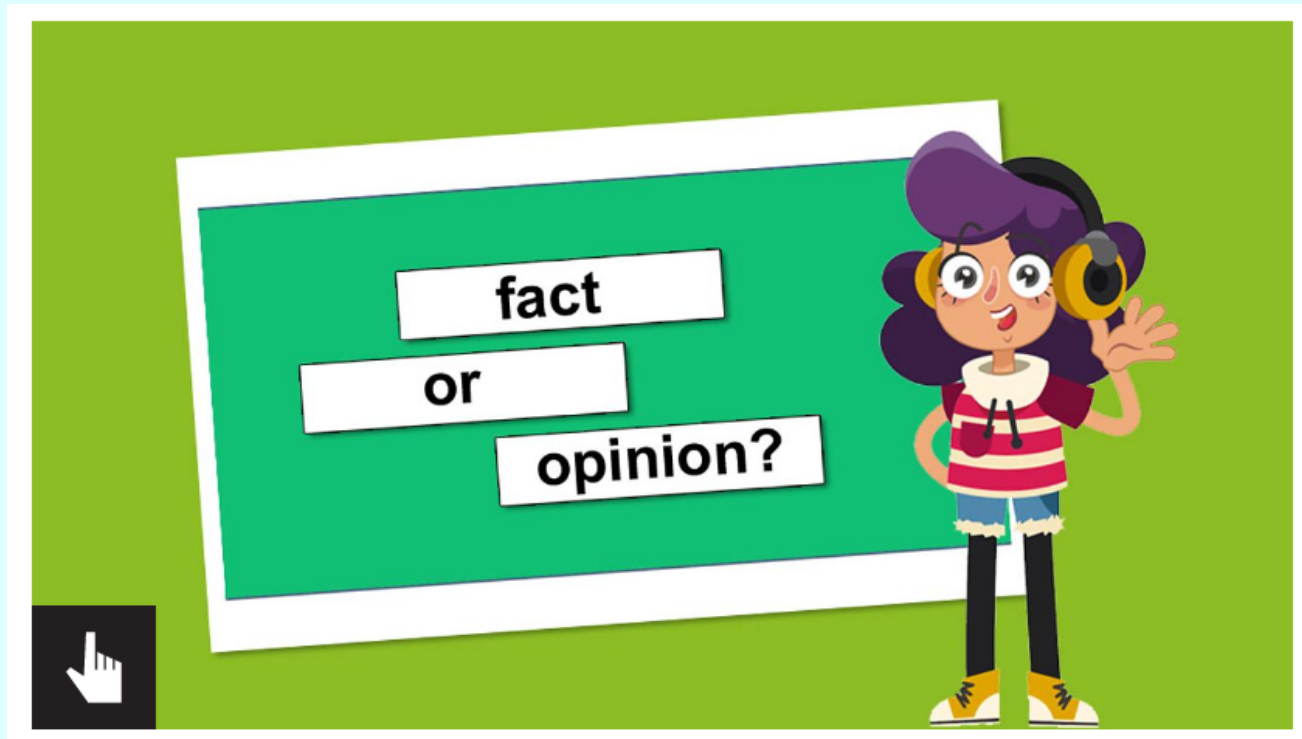
HA challenge:

Explain in your own words what a fact is, then what an opinion is.
Try and include some examples.

Day 2

Fact or opinion?

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Day 2: Fact or opinion?

Odd one out

Here are some facts and opinions. Look at the three sentences in the group.
Decide which are fact and which are opinion to find out which is the odd one out.

- 1) A. It is raining.
B. My birthday is tomorrow.
C. Ice creams are too sweet.
- 2) A. Mike the Knight is a cartoon character.
B. French is tricky to learn.
C. Saturday is at the weekend.
- 3) A. The cat was really mean.
B. The capital of the USA is Washington D.C.
C. Elvis Presley was a successful pop star.

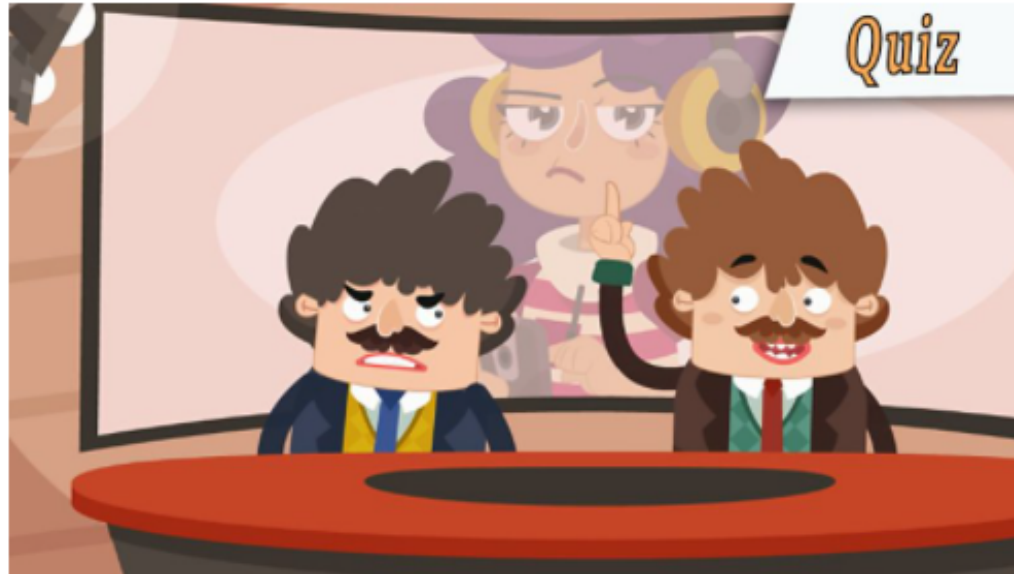
HA challenge:

Facts can change. True or false? Prove it!

Day 3

Fact or opinion?

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What are facts and opinions? Quiz

Test your knowledge of facts and opinions with this quiz.

Play

Day 3: Fact or opinion?

These sentences have been scattered and blown in the wind.
Sort them into facts (F) and opinions (O).
Some of these are tricky so you may have to discuss them as a class at the end!

We live in Britain.

The Police will investigate the crime.

I am late.

The Queen is old.

Ice cream is delicious.

Everyone loves babies.

He was shouting and screaming as he left the house.

The currency in the USA is dollars.

There are 5 main religions in the world.

HA challenge:

Write 5 facts about Great Britain, then think of 5 opinions you might have heard about living here e.g. the weather, travelling around, the food, places to visit...

Day 4

Fact or opinion?

Day 4: Fact or opinion?

Instructions:

Read the text below. Take each sentence one at a time.
Decide whether the sentence has a fact in it or an opinion.
Lay out your work like this:

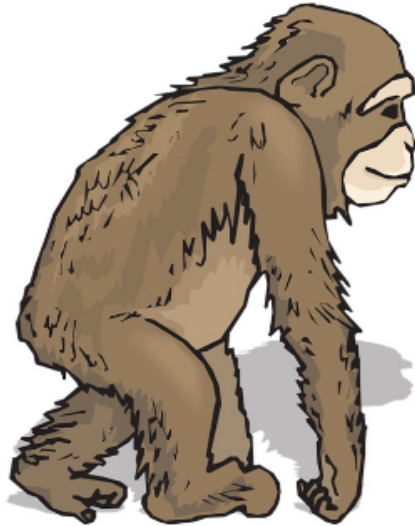
Fact	Opinion

At the al-Dhafra Festival, judges are looking for the most beautiful camel. The festival takes place in the United Arab Emirates and hosts 28,000 camels. Contestants travel from as far as Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Bahrain. The festival lasts ten days and judges look for big heads, firm ears, broad cheeks and big whiskers. One of the breeders thinks that hops, grass, and corn are the best camel food for a chance to win the prize. Judges look at the neck and body which should be long, the hump and the back should also be big. Female camels look better, so most people take them rather than male camels. Equally, dark, shiny camels are more beautiful, so owners cover their camels to stop the hairs from going light in the hot sun.

HA challenge:

Pretend you have interviewed one of the camels! Add two or three sentences to the end of this article showing the camel's opinions on the competition.

A.P.E.



Answer it

What is the answer to the question you've been asked? Remember what you've read; don't guess.

Prove it

Choose a quote which helped you answer the question. Remember to use inverted commas around the word(s) or phrase(s) the author used.

Explain it

Why did that quote help you answer the question?
Give as much detail as you can.

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Answer it

think...
 The writer...
 in this text...
 believe that...
 it is clear that...
 The speaker...
 The writer creates ... by ...
 My opinion is ...

**Sentence starters...****Prove it**

For example...
 I know this because...
 The writer states that...
 The text includes...
 The character says...
 For instance, the writer describes ...
 as ...
 I get this impression because...



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Explain it

This implies...
 This suggests that...
 This means that...
 This makes you realise...
 This creates a sense of...
 This makes the reader think/feel...
 This can be interpreted as...
 The effect of this is...



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