



## Fact and opinion

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### Reading Comprehension Worksheet

#### Practice

A parent or tutor should read along with the student, helping as needed.

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If something is *true*, or it *really happened*, it is a **fact**.

If something is *what someone thinks or believes*, it is an **opinion**.

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As you read this story, think about what parts are **fact** and what parts are **opinion**.

Carla is six years old, and she lives on a farm. They have a big cornfield and a small vegetable garden. Carla likes to help her mother work in the garden. They have a small white house and a big red barn. They have two horses, three pigs, one dog, and one cow.

Carla thinks that the horse is nice. She thinks that the pigs are funny when they roll around in the mud. The dog is her favorite. But she is not sure what she thinks about the cow. The cow is the biggest of all of their animals, and it makes the loudest sound. Carla always runs to her papa when the cow lifts its head to MOOOO!

Circle the word “fact” if it is *true* or it *really happened* in the story.

Circle the word “opinion” if it is *what someone thinks or believes*.

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| 1. Carla likes to help her mother in the garden. | fact | opinion |
| 2. They have a little white house.               | fact | opinion |
| 3. The pigs roll around in the mud.              | fact | opinion |
| 4. Carla’s favorite animal is their dog.         | fact | opinion |
| 5. Carla isn’t sure how she feels about the cow. | fact | opinion |

As you read this story, think about what parts are **fact** and what parts are **opinion**.

It was a Saturday afternoon, and Theresa and Aunt Mae were walking to the ice cream shop. "Oh no," cried Theresa, looking down at the big metal drain on the sidewalk. "I've dropped my lucky penny down the drain!"

Aunt Mae stopped. They both looked down into the deep dark drain. Theresa's eyes got red, and tears started to form. "I think the firemen could get it out," she said.

Aunt Mae took Theresa's hand. "Well, maybe they could," she said. "But I don't think we should bother them with such a little thing." She thought for a minute. "You know, there is good luck and there is bad luck. Maybe that was a bad luck penny, after all." She shook her finger at the drain, as if to scold the penny.

Theresa had to laugh at that. "You can't buy ice cream for a penny anyway," she said to Aunt Mae.

Circle the word "fact" if it is *true* or it *really happened* in the story.  
Circle the word "opinion" if it is *what someone thinks or believes*.

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| 6. Theresa's penny fell down the drain.                             | fact | opinion |
| 7. Theresa is sad that she dropped her penny.                       | fact | opinion |
| 8. Theresa thinks the firemen could get the penny out of the drain. | fact | opinion |
| 9. Aunt Mae can't get the penny out of the drain.                   | fact | opinion |
| 10. Aunt Mae doesn't think they should call the firemen.            | fact | opinion |

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11. What is one other **fact** from the story about Theresa and Aunt Mae?

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## **Answer Key**

1. opinion
2. fact
3. fact
4. opinion
5. opinion
6. fact
7. opinion
8. opinion
9. fact
10. fact
11. Accept any reasonable response.