



Author's Purpose

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 5

Part A: Multiple Choice

Circle the best answer for each question.

1. Read: "Our school cafeteria should serve fresh fruit every day. Processed snacks are linked to lower energy levels, and students deserve healthier options." What is the author's perspective?

- A) The author is neutral and has no opinion about school food
- B) The author believes healthy food in schools is important
- C) The author wants to entertain readers with a cafeteria story
- D) The author is writing a factual report about nutrition science

2. Which passage shows the MOST bias?

- A) The city council voted 5-3 to approve the new park.
- B) Cats make the best pets — no other animal even comes close!
- C) There are over 300 breeds of dogs recognized worldwide.
- D) The weather forecast calls for rain on Tuesday.

3. An author writes two articles about screen time: one for a parenting magazine urging limits, and one for a tech blog celebrating new apps. What does this show?

- A) The author does not understand the topic well enough
- B) Authors can only write from one perspective at a time
- C) The author adjusts perspective and purpose based on audience and publication
- D) Both articles must have the same purpose since the topic is the same

4. Read: "The Amazon rainforest produces about 20% of the world's oxygen. We cannot afford to lose it. Contact your representative today." The author shifts from informing to —

- A) entertaining with a dramatic story
- B) persuading with a call to action
- C) informing with additional statistics
- D) entertaining with vivid descriptions

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the correct answer on each line.

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1. An author's perspective is their personal viewpoint or attitude toward the subject they are writing about.

2. When an author presents only one side of an issue, the writing may contain **bias** .