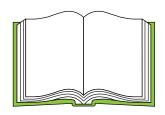
Detecting the Author's Purpose



Select & Sort Answer Sheet

Directions: Sort each example in the "Types of Text" section into its correct column.

Types of Text



Letter to the Editor Biography Comic Book Adventure

Advertisement Realistic Fiction Brochure Political Ads

Reviews Recipe Fantasy Textbook

Author's Purpose

Think: Why did the author write this text?

Persuade	Inform	Entertain
When the author's purpose is to persuade, it means the author is trying to get you to do, try, or believe something.	When the author's purpose is to inform, it means that the author is trying to give you information, teach a topic, and/or provide facts.	When the author's purpose is to entertain, it means that the author wants you to enjoy a piece of text, such as an interesting story.
Advertisement	Biography	Realistic Fiction
Letter to the Editor	Textbook	Comic Book
Reviews	Brochure	Fantasy
Political Ads	Recipe	Adventure

Make a Match

Direction: Each of the following sentences describes a type of text. Draw a line from each sentence to its match.

An article urging readers to eat their vegetables. Inform

A fairy tale set in medieval times. Persuade

A book that details how to build a birdhouse.

