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Fact and Opinion

- A **statement of fact** tells something that can be proved true or false. You can prove it true or false by reading, observing, or asking an expert.
- A **statement of opinion** tells ideas or feelings. It cannot be proved true or false.

Directions Read the following passage and use the information to complete the facts and opinions chart below.

My name is Ishai. I just came to America with my mother and father. In Israel, I lived in a kibbutz. In America, I live in a large city. Just my family lives in our apartment. In Israel, all of the children lived together in the kibbutz. They were like my brothers and sisters. I miss them, but I like living in our apartment too.

I think my daddy likes his new job. He smiles a lot now when he comes home. He tells us funny stories in Hebrew. That's what we spoke in the kibbutz. I tell him that we are in America now. Then he laughs and tries to tell the story in English.

Directions Write the statements of fact from the passage in the left column. Write the statements of opinion in the right column. **Possible responses are given.**

Facts	Opinions
1. My name is Ishai.	4. I miss them, but I like living in our apartment too.
2. In Israel, I lived in a kibbutz.	5. I think my daddy likes his new job.
3. That's what we spoke in the kibbutz.	6. He tells us funny stories in Hebrew.

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Home Activity Your child learned about the difference between statements of fact and statements of opinion. Read a book together. Point to simple sentences and ask your child to tell you if they are statements of fact or statements of opinion.