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Fact and Opinion • Answer Questions

- 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 your ideas or feelings. It cannot be proved true or false.
- Words such as *great*, *best*, and *worst* can be clues to **statements of opinion**.

Directions Read the following passage and use the information to complete the Fact and Opinion Chart below.

What do *flesh*, *Prussian blue*, and *Indian red* have in common? They were all crayon colors. Some crayon colors were retired because they were dull. But *flesh*, *Prussian blue*, and *Indian red* were changed by one crayon maker for other reasons.

Peach replaced *flesh*. Skin comes in many shades, not just in one color.

Prussian blue was changed to *midnight blue*. Most kids don't know much about Prussia.

Indian red is now *chestnut*. Some people thought the name stood for the skin color of Native Americans. Indian red is actually the name of an oil paint made in India that has a reddish color.

Directions Write the statements of fact from the passage in the left column. Write the statements of opinion in the right column.

Fact and Opinion Chart

Facts	Opinions
1. Flesh, Prussian blue, and Indian red were crayon colors.	4. Everyone knows that skin comes in many shades.
2. Lemon yellow and blue-gray were retired colors.	5. Most kids don't know much about Prussia.
3. Indian red is the name of a reddish oil paint made in India.	6. Some crayon colors were dull.

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Home Activity Your child learned about the difference between statements of fact and statements of opinion. Choose a food your child likes and ask him or her to tell about the food using three statements of fact and three statements of opinion.