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Fact and Opinion

- A statement of fact is a statement that can be proved true or false. You can check a statement of fact by looking in reference sources, asking an expert, or observing.
 - A statement of opinion is a person's beliefs or ideas about something. You cannot prove whether it is true or false.
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Directions Decide whether each sentence below is a statement of fact or opinion. Write your answer on the line.

1. The English Channel is about 350 miles long.

2. The English Channel is quite shallow.

3. There is always a chance that a swimmer could drown.

4. In 1926, Gertrude Ederle of the United States became the first woman to swim across the English Channel.

5. But if you have the stamina, the skill, and the desire for a challenge, you might consider swimming as an alternate way to cross the English Channel.
