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Fact and Opinion

When you read nonfiction, you may read some sentences that contain statements of **fact** and others that contain statements of **opinion**. Facts can be proved true or false. Opinions are statements of ideas and feelings. They cannot be proved.

Directions Read the following sentences about *The American Dream: Coming to the United States*. Write whether each one is a fact or an opinion, and explain why.

1. The population of the United States is a blend of people from many countries.

2. Many people believe that immigration has made the United States a strong nation.

3. About one million people immigrate to the United States every year.

4. In the United States they will earn more money to support their families.

5. Living conditions in their home countries are poor.

Directions Read the following paragraph. Then write down two facts and two opinions on the lines below. Then change one of the opinions into a fact.

Some people come to the United States to give their children a better education. Maybe they could not pay to send their children to school in their native

countries. Or maybe the schools there were not good. In the United States, public schools promise a free and equal education for all children.

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