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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.

**Directions** Use the book *A Time of Change* to answer the questions below.

1. Reread page 4 in the book. What is a statement of fact on this page?

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2. What is one statement of opinion that the author makes on page 4? How do you know that this is an opinion and not a fact?

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3. Reread the section of the book entitled "Women in College." What is one statement of fact that the author makes about colleges for women in the 1800s?

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4. What is a statement of opinion that the author makes about women in college during the early 1900s?

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5. Reread the Conclusion, beginning on page 20 in the reader. Which statement contains both a fact and an opinion? Which part is which?

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