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# Fact and Opinion

When you read nonfiction, you will 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 from *Living Abroad*. Write whether each one is a fact or an opinion, and explain why. **Possible reponses are given.**

1. High school and college students can study in other countries.

**Fact. It can be proved.**

2. Diplomats are government workers who represent the United States abroad.

**Fact. It can be proved.**

3. American students who go to school in other countries are called exchange students.

**Fact. It can be proved.**

4. Others may move to help people in other countries learn to live better lives.

**Opinion. A statement of belief, can't be proved**

5. A member of the military sent to another country is stationed in that country.

**Fact. It can be proved.**

6. The Peace Corps is part of the United States government, and it sends people overseas to volunteer.

**Fact. It can be proved.**

7. Americans who move to other countries learn to respect and understand the differences among people of different cultures.

**Opinion. A statement of belief, can't be proved**

8. Any adult can join the Peace Corps, but most volunteers are young adults.

**Fact. It can be proved.**

9. Anthropologists are scientists who study how other people live.

**Fact. It can be proved.**

10. Settling in a new place and meeting new people can spark creative ideas.

**Opinion. A statement of belief, can't be proved**