

Worksheet 6.2: Facts vs. Opinions

Read the ten fictional statements below and determine whether each would belong in fact-based or opinion-based news coverage. Afterwards, write a story using one example.

Statement	Fact or Opinion?
1. The local candidate spent the weekend campaigning door-to-door.	
2. The party leader misspeaking about their platform during the televised debate was a fatal blow to their campaign.	
3. The party received 42 per cent support in the latest opinion poll, an increase of 6 per cent from last week.	
4. The party leader needs to connect with young voters if they want to win the election.	
5. The local candidates attended an all-candidates debate at a local high school and responded to student questions.	
6. The candidate would be the best choice for the community because of his business experience.	
7. A drop in support in the latest opinion poll may be too much for the party leader to overcome.	
8. At a press conference, the party leader promised to increase financial support for post-secondary students.	
9. Seniors will never vote for the party because of the leader's promise to decrease elderly benefits.	
10. The party leader appeared on the local morning radio show to discuss his or her campaign promises.	