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Fact and Opinion

Statement	Can it be proved true or false?	Fact? Opinion? Both?
Jim Thorpe won many awards and honors.	1.	2.
Wilt "The Stilt" Chamberlain was the most dominant basketball player ever.	3.	4.
5.	The first part can be proved true or false, but not the second part.	Contains both fact and opinion

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Vocabulary

Directions Choose the word from the box that best matches each definition. Write the word on the line.

_____ 1. the people of any particular time or place

_____ 2. a building with many rooms in which people sleep

_____ 3. power to withstand hard wear

_____ 4. done with the hands

_____ 5. land set aside by the government for a special purpose

Check the Words You Know

___boarding school
___dormitory
___endurance
___manual
___reservation
___society

Directions Choose the word from the box that best completes each sentence. Write the word on the line shown to the left.

_____ 6. Because I attended ___, I spent long stretches of time away from home.

_____ 7. Cars have either a ___ or an automatic transmission.

_____ 8. You have to have a lot of ___ to run marathons.

_____ 9. Years ago, the rules of ___ were very strict.

_____ 10. At college, Janet enjoyed living in a ____.

Write a Description

Write a description of how a boarding school might be different from your present school. Use as many vocabulary words as you can.

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Home Activity Your child identified and used vocabulary words from Jim Thorpe's Bright Path. Together, make up your own fill-in-the-blank sentences (like those that appear in the second activity), using the vocabulary words from the selection.

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Capitalization and Abbreviations

Here are some rules for CAPITALIZING proper nouns.

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Home Activity Your child learned about capitalization. Write the addresses of three of your family's friends or relatives, leaving out all capital letters. Have your child rewrite the addresses and add the capital letters.

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Vocabulary tMultiple-Meaning Words

r Multiple-meaning words are words that have more than one meaning.

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reader may come across unfamiliar words, or familiar words used in unfamiliar ways. If this happens, use a dictionary or glossary to find the meaning.

Directions Read the following passage. Then answer the questions below, using a dictionary or glossary.

Since there was no school on Leslie's reservation, she attended a boarding school. Leslie was glad to go away to school, because otherwise she must get a job like her brothers. They earned their living doing manual labor, but Leslie was not particularly good with her hands.

At school every spring, Leslie played tennis. All year she looked forward to picking up a tennis racket. During bad weather, she even practiced hitting a ball against the walls of her small dormitory room. Leslie had big goals in life. She wanted to be a professional tennis player.

1. What is the meaning of reservation as it is used in the story?

2. What is the meaning of manual as it is used in the passage? What is another meaning for this word?

3. What meaning of goals makes sense in this story?

4. In this passage, what is the meaning of the word racket?

5. Choose a word with multiple meanings from the story. Write a sentence using the word in a different way from the way it is used in the passage.

Home Activity Your child identified the correct meaning of multiple-meaning words as they were used in a short passage. Write down a list of multiple-meaning words. Take turns acting out and guessing the different meanings of the words.

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Magazines/Periodicals

r " periodical is a publication printed at regular times, such as every week or every NPOUI " magazine is a type of periodical. Magazines contain a variety of articles, including news stories, feature stories, editorials, and regular opinion columns, as well as advertisements.

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Directions Read the magazine article below. Then answer the questions on the next page.

INTERVIEWS

The Secret of Williamson's Success
by R. L. Dawson

Every time I sit down to write this monthly column, I find that I am pleasantly surprised by the character of the people in sports.

This month I had the chance to interview Bobby Edstrom, who plays for the Meadow College Tigers. Bobby is a football player who stands six feet five inches tall and weighs three hundred pounds. When you see him, you automatically think that if you offended him, he could stomp all over you in two seconds flat.

We sat down in his coach's office to talk. It was the beginning of training in the late days of summer. He was wearing a Tigers T-shirt and jeans. He looked very comfortable and welcoming. Suddenly I didn't feel so nervous anymore. I began by asking him about his background and how he got to be such a good football player. I was amazed at his answer.

You see, I thought Bobby was one of those "natural athletes"—the ones who are stars from their earliest days on the playground. That was not the case with Bobby. He struggled in high school. He almost did not make the team his sophomore year.

When I asked him how he got to where he is today, he said two words: "Coach Williamson." Bobby Edstrom's high school coach, Leonard Williamson, told him that practicing hard, even when you are struggling, can get you to where you want to be. This coach encouraged Bobby every step of the way. He never allowed Bobby to think that he could not achieve his goals. A tear came to Bobby's eye as he talked about his coach. I asked if Bobby had ever had a chance to thank his coach, and he said that he hadn't. Coach Williamson had moved away from town, and Bobby lost contact with him.

Well, Bobby, chances are that Coach Williamson will read this column. I think that you can consider this a sincere, if overdue, thank-you card to an important and inspiring teacher.

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1. What is the title or headline of this article?

2. Who wrote this article?

3. In what part or section of the magazine does this article appear?

4. What kind of article is this selection? How do you know?

5. Who is the "who" in this article?

6. What is the "what" in this article?

7. In what kind of magazine might this article appear?

8. How is this article different from an article reporting on recent football scores?

9. Do you think this interview would appear before or after news stories? Why?

10. Why do you think the title of the article is "The Secret of Williamson's Success" even though the interview is with Bobby Edstrom?

Home Activity Your child read and analyzed a magazine article. Together, examine the cover of a magazine. Invite your child to predict the content of the magazine's articles based on the information and graphics on

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All the rules, except the last rule, give bad advice and should not be followed! Circle six words that are misspelled. Write the words correctly. Write the sentence that has an incorrect pronoun correctly.

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