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Author's Purpose 3

Directions: read the description, determine the author's purpose, and then explain your answer.

1. The first issue of *Wolverine*, published by Marvel in 1982

Author's Purpose: _____
(to inform, persuade, or entertain)

How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

2. A pamphlet explaining how an unborn child may be affected when a pregnant mother smokes

Author's Purpose: _____
(to inform, persuade, or entertain)

How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

3. A novel about a young girl faced with a difficult decision after getting pregnant her junior year

Author's Purpose: _____
(to inform, persuade, or entertain)

How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

4. The terms of service for using the social networking site, Facebook

Author's Purpose: _____
(to inform, persuade, or entertain)

How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

5. A speech written by a famous basketball player urging young people to stay in school

Author's Purpose: _____
(to inform, persuade, or entertain)

How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

6. Directions to the mall written by a friend or relative

Author's Purpose: _____
(to inform, persuade, or entertain)

How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

7. The ingredients listed on the side of a candy bar wrapper

Author's Purpose: _____
(to inform, persuade, or entertain)

How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

8. The lyrics to Michael Jackson's song, "Billy Jean"

Author's Purpose: _____
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How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

9. A letter to a teen girl from her imprisoned father giving reasons why she should go to college

Author's Purpose: _____
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How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

10. The documentation and instructions for a new touch-screen tablet PC

Author's Purpose: _____
(to inform, persuade, or entertain)

How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

11. A bumper sticker warning people to "Click it or Ticket," in reference to wearing a seatbelt

Author's Purpose: _____
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How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

12. The story of a teacher who helps some of her troubled students get to college

Author's Purpose: _____
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How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.

13. A brochure for custom glass windows with product descriptions, sample images, & coupons

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How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.