

# Fact or Opinion?

## Task One

Copy each of the sentences below into your books and write (in brackets) whether you think each one is presented as a **fact** or an **opinion**. [*Extension*: explain your reasoning]

1. The car was blue.
2. The man had lost his coat.
3. Chester City are the best football club in the world.
4. It's not a very good television programme.
5. The Spice Girl's album was the most popular at Christmas.
6. I believe that he can win.
7. Pete Sampras is the best tennis player in the world.
8. Pete Sampras, the tennis player is the World number 1.
9. We think Mark stole the car.
10. I didn't have a coat.
11. The church is the tallest building in the town.
12. You might get wet if you forget your coat.

## Task Two

1. Write **two facts** about a **pop group**.
2. Write **two opinions** about a **pop group**.
3. Write **two facts** about **school**.
4. Write **two opinions** about **school**.
5. Write **two facts** about food.
6. Write **two opinions** about food.

## Task Three

*Copy each of these passages into your book. Underline sentences you think present facts in one colour and sentences you think present opinions in another.*

- "This has to be the most exciting game of football that I've seen so far. David Beckham is easily the best player on the pitch. He has scored five goals so far this season. I think he'll score a lot more!"
- Buy the new Superclean bathroom cleaner. It'll leave your bathroom sparkling clean! Superclean uses a mixture of soap and bleach which attacks dust and grime. You won't be able to believe your eyes when you see what Superclean can do for you. Only £1.99 a bottle.
- Tomorrow is an important day for the pop group BoysRUs. They release their third single tomorrow. Their last two singles have gone straight into the charts at number 1. This new single, however, is an awful mix of pop and blues music. It's not as good as the previous two hits. It certainly looks to me like BoysRUs should ask for their day jobs at the toyshop back!

## Extension

Write a newspaper article about a subject of your own choice. Try and include a mixture of facts and opinions. Underline the facts you include in one colour and the opinions in another.