

Fact

A **fact** is a true statement that can be proved or verified. A fact doesn't change no matter who says it.

Look for Signal Words:

numbers	always
statistics	predict
general truths	substantiate
document	prove
eyewitness	at all times
dates & records	demonstrate

Example: New York is made up of five boroughs.

Opinion

An **opinion** is something that a person thinks or feels, and not necessarily supported by proof or knowledge.

Opinions change from person to person.

Look for Signal Words:

good/bad	think
point of view	prefer
interpretation	guess
assumption	probably
in my opinion	feel
my impression	possibly

Example: New York is probably the most famous city in America.