Author’s Purpose Worksheet 6

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

1. A handbook teaching people how to negotiate

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

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

2. A public service announcement telling kids to stay in school

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

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

3. A menu for a local pizzeria listing the sizes and prices of pizzas and available toppings

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

4. A song about pizza by popular music artist, Miss Directed

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

5. The track listing to Miss Directed’s album, I Want Pizza, which shows the order, length, and producer of each song

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How do you know? Write a sentence explaining your answer.
6. A radio commercial script calling Miss Directed’s new album, “The soundtrack of our lives.”

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

7. A pie graph showing how many pies were sold in each flavor during November last year

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

8. A children’s book about a cherry pie and an apple pie that overcome their differences to become good friends

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

9. A bookmark by the American Dairy Association listing 10 reasons to drink milk

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

10. A Sunday comic strip that tackles serious issues like immigration and health care

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

11. A cell phone application that suggests dozens of recipes based on what ingredients you have

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