

# Infer **AUTHOR PERSPECTIVE** using F.A.S.T. Facts

## INFORMATIONAL TEXTS



### FEATURES

Text features highlight what is deemed important to the author.

#### TEXT FEATURES

- Title choice
- Subjects within visuals
- Style choices (e.g., underlined, bold, italicized, all caps, punctuation, etc.)

#### VISUALS

- Choice of angle or position
- Choice of font, type style, color, size
- Choice of sound, music, silence



### ACCOUNT

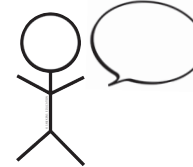
The author delivers an account of the facts and evidence.

#### CONTENT

- Facts stated/  
Facts omitted
- Expert and eyewitness quotes
- Surprising and unexpected information

#### EXAMPLES

- What was/is done
- Steps or actions
- Specific stories, anecdotes, or experiences
- Hypothetical situations or *Imagine this...* scenarios



### SPEECH

The author carefully considers *how* to reveal the information.

#### SENSE OF AUDIENCE

- Anticipates and answers questions/counterclaims
- Rhetorical questions

#### WORD CHOICE

- Detailed descriptions and figurative language to make a positive or negative impression
- Clever, witty, and/or playful language
- Words selected for connotation and shades of meaning
- Topic-specific vocabulary to confirm author as expert

#### STYLE

- Repetition to emphasize what's important



### THOUGHTS

The author's personal beliefs are sprinkled in through opinions.

#### FEELINGS

- Attitude and emotion
- Preferences, struggles, and frustrations

#### GOALS & VALUES

- Reflections on what used to be
- Dreams about what could be
- Beliefs about what's important

#### PERSONAL OPINIONS

- Reasoning and explanations offered
- Criticism delivered—subtly or obviously
- Praise expressed—subtly or obviously