



4th Grade Fact vs. Opinion Lesson

Standards:
RI.4.8 SL.4.1
W.4.1 L.4.3

Duration:
30 minutes

Objectives

The students will be able to...

1. Define fact and opinion.
2. Write down facts and opinions based on what they observe in the picture.
3. Distinguish between fact and opinion statements.

Lesson Steps

1. Discuss the difference between facts and opinions. Write the definitions and examples on the board.
 - a. A fact is a statement that can be proven true or false. It is based on evidence or reality. Example: Waldameer Park is located in Erie, Pennsylvania.
 - b. An opinion is a statement that expresses someone's feelings, beliefs, or judgments. Opinions differ from person to person. Example: Waldameer Park is the best amusement park in the world.
2. In pairs or groups, students sort statements into two categories using the Fact and Opinion Sort Sheet. Review answers as a class.
3. Students look at a given picture of Waldameer. They write one fact and one opinion about it.
4. Share responses aloud or post on a class chart.
5. Place different statements at desks or stations for the Scoot game.
6. Set a timer (e.g., 30–60 seconds per station).
7. Students read the statement at their station and write "Fact" or "Opinion."
8. When the timer beeps, call out "Scoot!" and everyone moves to the next station.
9. Once all stations are complete, review the answers as a class.

Assessment

- Informal observation during class discussion and Scoot Game
- Completed worksheets (check for accuracy and understanding)

Materials

- Scissors + glue sticks
- Fact and Opinion Sort Sheet
- Fact and Opinion Scoot Game cards and worksheet
- Slideshow of Waldameer pictures

FACTS VS. OPINIONS		FACT VS. OPINION SCOOT	
<p>FACT</p> <p>OPINION</p>		<p>Card #</p> <p>Your Answer (Fact or Opinion)</p>	<p>CARD #1</p> <p>Waldameer Park is located in Erie, Pennsylvania.</p> <p>CARD #2</p> <p>Waldameer has over 100 rides, slides, and attractions.</p>

Name: _____

Date: _____

FACTS VS. OPINIONS



Directions: Cut and paste the sentences in the correct box.

FACT

OPINION



The Frog Hopper is too boring for older kids.

The Sky Ride is a ski lift ride that gives an overhead view of the park.

The Comet is a wooden roller coaster that has been operating since 1951.

The Pirate's Cove is scarier than the Whacky Shack.

The Mega Vortex is a spinning disc ride that moves back and forth on a curved track.

The Chaos makes everyone feel dizzy and sick.

FACTS VS. OPINIONS

KEY

Directions: Cut and paste the sentences in the correct box.

FACT

OPINION



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F

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FACT VS. OPINION SCOOT GAME



- This Scoot game features statements about Waldameer Park and Water World.
- Students will decide whether each statement is a FACT or an OPINION.
- Place cards around the classroom and use a timer to keep the game moving!

SCOOT CARDS

1. Waldameer Park is located in Erie, Pennsylvania. **FACT**
2. Waldameer has over 100 rides, slides, and attractions. **FACT**
3. The Ravine Flyer II is the best wooden roller coaster in the world. **OPINION**
4. Waldameer Park first opened in 1896. **FACT**
5. The Giant Wave Pool is the most fun part of Water World. **OPINION**
6. Admission to the amusement park is free; you only pay for rides and attractions.
FACT
7. The spinning rides at Waldameer make everyone dizzy. **OPINION**
8. Water World includes a lazy river and multiple water slides. **FACT**
9. Waldameer is the perfect place for a summer birthday party. **OPINION**
10. The sounds and smells of the park make it a magical place. **OPINION**
11. Waldameer is more exciting than any other amusement park in Pennsylvania.
OPINION
12. The park operates from May through September. **FACT**
13. The food at Waldameer is absolutely delicious. **OPINION**
14. Waldameer offers group discounts and season passes. **FACT**
15. The Ravine Flyer II crosses over a public highway during its ride. **FACT**

Name: _____

Date: _____

FACT VS. OPINION SCOOT GAME

Card #	Your Answer (Fact or Opinion)
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10	OPINION
11	OPINION
12	FACT
13	OPINION
14	FACT
15	FACT

CARD #1

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Erie, Pennsylvania.



CARD #2

Waldameer has over 100 rides,
slides, and attractions.



CARD #3

The Ravine Flyer II is the best wooden roller coaster in the world.



CARD #4

Waldameer Park first opened in 1896.



CARD #5

The Giant Wave Pool is the most fun part of Water World.



CARD #6

Admission to the amusement park is free; you only pay for rides and attractions.



CARD #7

The spinning rides at Waldameer
make everyone dizzy.



CARD #8

Water World includes a lazy river
and multiple water slides.



CARD #9

Waldameer is the perfect place
for a summer birthday party.



CARD #10

The sounds and smells of the park
make it a magical place.



CARD #11

Waldameer is more exciting than
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CARD #15

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