Understanding the author’s point of view helps you comprehend what you are reading. The author has a purpose and knowing the purpose will help you.

Read the sentences below and write which of these was the Author’s purpose.

Was the Authors purpose to **entertain** you, **persuade** you or **inform** you?

Examples:  
What’s a zebra with red all over? A sun burned zebra! **Entertain**

Caution: Floor is slippery when wet. Walk with care. **Inform**

Mom, I believe that a puppy will teach me responsibility. **Persuade**

When you turn out the lights when they are not in use, you are conserving energy. This is important to keeping our resources protected. Our Earth needs your help and you can do your part.

_______________________________________________

All students who will be attending the play rehearsal tonight must come in costume.

_______________________________________________

Why did the man put his money in the freezer? He wanted cold hard cash.

_______________________________________________

Write your own sentence using an ENTERTAIN purpose:

_______________________________________________

Write your own sentence using an INFORM purpose:

_______________________________________________

Write your own sentence using a PERSUADE purpose:

_______________________________________________