Author’s Purpose Quiz

Directions: Read the description of each text and identify the MAIN purpose of the author.

1. A five paragraph essay where a student argues that people should recycle and not litter
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

2. An encyclopedia entry about endangered animals and efforts to protect them
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

3. A map of the world, showing all continents, countries, and oceans
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

4. A Garfield comic from the newspaper in which Garfield hates Mondays and likes lasagna
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

5. A brochure about how people shouldn’t shop at Walmart because they hurt local businesses
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

6. The fourth novel in the Twilight series by Stephenie Meyer
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

7. A student’s book report about the fourth novel in the Twilight series
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

8. A speech by a politician asking for 90 minutes to be added to the school day
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

9. The play Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

10. The instructions for the board game, Monopoly.
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

11. The story of a young man who learns to resist the influences of drugs and gangs
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

12. A child’s letter to Santa asking for a bicycle because the child has been good all year
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

13. The lyrics to a song written by popular music group, Mindful Behavior
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

14. A recipe explaining how to make chicken salad sandwiches
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade

15. A note to a teacher where a student asks if her seat can be switched because of a conflict
A. Entertain  B. Inform  C. Persuade