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Practicing Skill 14

HOW TO Tell Fact from Opinion

Linn is visiting Carlsbad Caverns National Park in New Mexico. Read the letter below that she wrote to her friend. Underline two facts and circle two opinions in her writing.

August 5, 2003

Dear Roxy,

I have to tell you about our trip. We visited Carlsbad Caverns last night and saw a huge colony of bats. It was the best thing I've ever seen. Millions of bats flew out of the cave at the same time. The sky looked black, there were so many bats. The park ranger told us that bats sleep in the caves during the day. At sunset, they all fly out to spend the night eating insects. I think bats look creepy. After the ranger's talk, I now know how important bats are. I think I'll read more about bats when I get home. See you soon.

Your friend,

Linn

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Read the following statements. On the blank line in front of each statement, write **F** if the statement is a fact. Write **O** if the statement is an opinion.

- F 1. Bats are mammals that can fly.
- _____ 2. Whales are mammals that can swim.
- _____ 3. All bats are funny looking.
- _____ 4. People should not swim with animals.
- _____ 5. A bat uses echoes to tell it where something is.
- _____ 6. An echo can even tell a bat how big something nearby is.
- _____ 7. Some whales use echoes to find their family members.
- _____ 8. People should not get too close to bats.