Fact and Opinion Quiz

1. What book contains only facts, and no opinions?
   a. A collection of short fiction
   b. A telephone directory
   c. A history textbook
   d. A book about dog grooming

2. What is a synonym for "informed opinion?"
   a. Political opinion
   b. Correct opinion
   c. Strong opinion
   d. Knowledgeable opinion

3. "David Wright is the best hitter on the Mets. Last year, he led the team in batting average, runs scored, and runs batted in." This is:
   a. An informed opinion
   b. An uninformed opinion
   c. An unbiased fact
   d. An unbiased opinion

4. Which of the following is a fact?
   a. Fred and George are much funnier than Percy.
   b. JK Rowling is the luckiest person in the world.
   c. Daniel Radcliffe once guest-starred on 'The Simpsons'.
   d. Hermione is the smartest character in the 'Harry Potter' books.

5. What role do facts play in the formation of opinions?
   a. Without facts, you can't have an opinion.
   b. Facts are backed up by informed opinions.
   c. Informed opinions are backed up by facts.
   d. Facts and opinions have nothing to do with one another.

6. Which of the following is an informed opinion?
   a. Many sharks give birth to live young.
   b. Sharks' strong jaws and sharp senses make them fearsome predators.
   c. Shark documentaries are the most informative programs on television.
   d. The whale shark is the largest fish in the ocean.

7. In support of a young politician, one blogger writes that she's "youthful." What word might another blogger use to call attention to her age in a negative way?
   a. Old
   b. Immature
   c. Young
   d. Energetic

8. Who is likely to offer the most informed opinion about the history of the Eiffel Tower?
   a. The President of France
   b. A construction worker who helps build towers
   c. A tourist who's just visited Paris
   d. A professor of French architecture

9. If you were a news editor, how might you slant coverage against a war your country is fighting?
   a. By reporting mostly on defeats, and ignoring successes.
   b. By interviewing top generals.
   c. By reporting on what life is like for the soldiers.
   d. By reporting the number of people injured in battle.

10. Which word indicates that a statement is probably an opinion? Choose the best answer
    a. Might
    b. Never
    c. Opposite
    d. Agreed