

What is Identifying Information (Yes/No/Not Given)?

Worksheet

Identifying information requires answering Yes (text states it), No (text contradicts), or Not Given (text omits it). Unlike matching headings, this focuses on specific claims, not main ideas.

Questions

1. Statement: 'The author believes climate change is urgent.' Text: 'Climate change poses serious risks. Action is needed soon.' Yes/No/Not Given?
A) Yes
B) No
C) Not Given
D) Requires inference
2. What is the key difference between identifying information and inference?
A) Identifying information is easier
B) Identifying information looks for explicit text; inference requires logic
C) They are the same
D) Inference is only for facts
3. Statement: 'The company has over 1,000 employees.' Text: 'Our team spans 5 continents with hundreds of staff.' Yes/No/Not Given?
A) Yes
B) No
C) Not Given
D) Too vague
4. When should you answer Yes?
A) When the statement seems plausible
B) When the text explicitly supports the statement
C) When you infer it's likely true
D) When similar words appear in the text
5. Statement: 'The Nobel Prize in Physics is awarded annually.' Text: 'The Nobel Prize in Physics has been awarded every year since 1901.' Yes/No/Not Given?
6. Statement: 'Electric vehicles are more expensive than gasoline cars.' Text: 'The price of electric vehicles has fallen significantly. Early EV models cost 80,000. Today's basic models start at 25,000.' Yes/No/Not Given?
7. Statement: 'The study found that coffee reduces sleep.' Text: 'Caffeine consumption increases alertness and can delay sleep onset.' Yes/No/Not Given?
8. Define: Define identifying information (Yes/No/Not Given).
9. Define: How does Yes/No/Not Given differ from True/False/Not Given?
10. Define: Is inference allowed in Yes/No/Not Given?

Answer Key

1. C) Not Given — The text describes urgency but doesn't explicitly state the author's personal belief. Answer: Not Given.
2. B) Identifying information looks for explicit text; inference requires logic — Identifying information strictly follows what the text says. Inference goes beyond.
3. C) Not Given — 'Hundreds' doesn't explicitly confirm '1,000+'. The exact number isn't stated. Answer: Not Given.
4. B) When the text explicitly supports the statement — Yes requires explicit support — the text must directly state or clearly confirm the claim.
5. Search for 'awarded' and 'annually'/'every year' Text explicitly states it's awarded annually since 1901 Answer: YES
6. Search for price comparison Text shows EV prices falling but doesn't claim they're cheaper than gas cars Answer: NOT GIVEN
7. Check if 'coffee reduces sleep' is explicitly stated Text says caffeine delays sleep, supporting the claim about coffee Answer: YES
8. A reading task assessing whether statements are explicitly supported (Yes), contradicted (No), or absent (Not Given) from the text.
9. They are nearly identical; Yes/No/Not Given emphasizes direct evidence. Both avoid inference.
10. No. Answer based on explicit statements only, not logic or general knowledge.

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