Fact and Opinion

Grade 4 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

Read the text. Circle the sentence that is a fact.

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The second reason is safety near the school. Every morning, about two hundred cars crowd the drop-off lane. Fewer cars would make the crosswalks calmer for everyone. I think the drop-off lane is the most stressful place in our town.

The third reason is friendship. Walking together gives kids time to talk and laugh. My cousin's school in Portland started a walking bus last year. Her principal said that students on the walking bus made friends in other grades.

Some families live too far away to walk. They could drive partway and join the bus at the last stop. That way, everyone can take part. In bad weather, the group could wear raincoats and walk a shorter route.

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