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Grade 5 Reading Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

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1. Claim: The bird feeder attracted more birds to the yard.

   Ana counted 3 birds a day before the feeder and 15 a day after it was filled.

   The feeder is shaped like a house.

   Birds are lovely animals.

2. Claim: Sleep helps students pay attention.

   Some students ride the bus to school.

   Teachers noticed that students who slept nine hours answered more questions in class.

   Sleeping is the most important thing.

3. Claim: Tomatoes grow better in sunny spots.

   Tomatoes are red when they are ripe.

   Everybody enjoys fresh tomatoes.

   The tomato plants in full sun made twice as many tomatoes as the plants in the shade.

4. Claim: Cooler weather made the leaves change color.

   The leaves on the maple tree turned red and orange only after the nights became cold.

   The maple tree stands by the fence.

   Fall is the prettiest season.

5. Claim: Eating breakfast helps students concentrate.

   Breakfast is served at 7:30.

   In one class, students who ate breakfast finished their morning work faster and with fewer mistakes.

   Mornings are important.

6. Claim: The recycling program reduced trash at school.

   The recycling bins are blue.

   Recycling is something everyone has to do.

   The school recorded 30 percent less trash in the dumpsters after the program started.

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