

Student Activity 4

ABA National Online Youth Summit

Fact v. Opinion Checklist

- ❑ Is the statement true? (If yes, it is a fact.)
- ❑ Can the statement be proved? (If yes, it is a fact.)
- ❑ Does the statement include “clue” words indicating the author is expressing an opinion or belief? (If yes, most likely, the statement is an opinion.)
- ❑ Does the statement include “clue” words indicating the author is expressing a judgment or a value? (If yes, most likely, the statement is an opinion.)

What are some possible *clue* words that writers use that indicate to a reader that a statement may be an expression of an *opinion* or a *belief*?

What are some possible *clue* words that indicate that a writer is offering a *judgment* or assigning a *value* to something?