



## FACTS and OPINIONS--Writing Version

Setting up the game:

1. You'll need one magnetic spinner.
2. On a whiteboard, draw a circle and divide it into two sections.
3. Write the words Fact and Opinion.
4. For smaller groups (up to 8) divide a large classroom whiteboard into 4 sections. Assign a pair to each section.
5. For larger groups, or if you don't have a classroom whiteboard, give each pair a small white board, dry erase marker and a sock to serve as an eraser.

Now to play!

6. Choose a student to come to the front of the group to spin.
7. Give the students a word to use in their fact or opinion sentence.
8. One partner in each pair writes a fact or opinion using that word.
9. In order to earn a point, the sentence has to fit the fact or opinion category. It also has to have a capital letter, spacing, correct spelling and a period at the end.
10. Once students have completed their sentence, they don't say anything. They just hold up their white board.
11. Look at it. If there is one mistake, hold up 1 finger. If there are 2 mistakes, 2 fingers, 3 mistakes, 3 fingers, 4 mistakes, 4 fingers. If there are no mistakes, give them a thumbs up and they tally a point.
12. If they have a mistake, they continue to correct the sentence until you give them a thumbs up.
13. Campers who get a thumbs up right away can continue to write more sentences, earning more points while they wait for every student to finish their one sentence.
14. Once each pair has correctly written the sentence, move onto the next turn.
15. Continue play until each pair has had a turn to spin or until the time allotted runs out!

You can use thematic words according to what the students are learning or random words for fun!

Here's a list of words to get you started:

Farmers  
Suitcases  
Lizards  
Worms  
Monkeys

Video games  
Oceans  
Boxes  
Rockets  
Soccer

Magic  
Refrigerator  
New York City  
Chinchillas  
The moon