

What does an author write about and why?

Identify the three types of author's purpose. Match the descriptions below to the correct purpose in the graphic organizer.

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Match each of the sources to the correct author's purpose.

Author's Purpose	Sources
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Persuade</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essays* • Black Friday catalogs • Social media advertisements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essays* • Book titled <i>How to Train Your Dog</i> • Article on iPhone vs. Android • Black Friday catalogs • Social media advertisements • Encyclopedias • Dictionaries • Textbooks • A section from the history book regarding 9/11 • Cookbook • Stories • Poems • Dramas • A passage from Shakespeare's work • Joke book • <i>New York Times</i> article on the Mars Rover 2020 launch
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*Essays can be both persuasive and informative. "I Have a Dream" by Martin Luther King, Jr. has persuasive qualities. A scientist's essay about research findings could be informational.