



Read each passage and decide: did the author write to Persuade, Inform, or Entertain? Answer the questions in complete sentences.

Help Keep Our Parks Clean

Our local parks are wonderful places for everyone to enjoy. They are where we play, have picnics, and spend time with friends and family.



But sometimes, trash and litter can make our parks look messy and even be harmful to animals. We all need to do our part to keep these special places beautiful and safe for everyone.

Imagine a park where birds sing and flowers bloom, but plastic bottles and candy wrappers are everywhere. This is not good for the plants or the little creatures that live there. When we leave trash behind, it can hurt the environment and make our community look uncared for.



That's why it's so important to join our community clean-up day! On Saturday, we are meeting at Oakwood Park to pick up litter and make it shine again. Even an hour of your time can make a big difference. You can help protect nature and show pride in our town. Let's work together to make our parks amazing for all!



COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

(1) What is the MAIN purpose of this passage?

- (A) To teach about different types of parks.



- B To persuade people to join a park clean-up.
- C To tell a story about a messy park.
- D To explain how trash is recycled.

(2) The author wrote this passage mainly to _____ the reader.

— continue writing on the lines below

(3) Which detail from the passage BEST shows the author's purpose?

- A "Our local parks are wonderful places for everyone to enjoy."
- B "That's why it's so important to join our community clean-up day!"
- C "When we leave trash behind, it can hurt the environment..."
- D "Even an hour of your time can make a big difference."

(4) How do you know the author's purpose? Use TWO details from the passage to support your answer.

(5) If you were writing about the same topic, which purpose would YOU choose — to persuade, inform, or entertain? Explain why.



