



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

## The Heart of Our Library

Public libraries are important places in many communities. They are more than just buildings filled with books. Libraries offer free access to information, learning, and entertainment for everyone. They provide a quiet space for studying, computers with internet access, and even printers for people who don't have them at home.



Beyond books, libraries host many programs. There are story times for young children, helping them learn to love reading. Teens can find study groups or workshops on new skills. Adults might attend book clubs, job search assistance, or classes on technology. These programs help people connect and learn new things, making the community stronger.

Libraries also serve as a gathering place. They are a safe and welcoming spot where people from all walks of life can meet, share ideas, and feel like they belong. Whether you need to research a school project, find a new hobby, or simply enjoy a good story, your local public library is there to help. It truly is a heart of the community, offering valuable resources to all its members.



### COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

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

- (A) To persuade people to visit their local library more often.



- B To inform readers about the many services public libraries offer.
- C To entertain with a fictional story about a magical library.
- D To explain how to become a librarian.

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

*— continue writing on the lines below*

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

- A "They are a safe and welcoming spot where people from all walks of life can meet."
- B "Whether you need to research a school project, find a new hobby, or simply enjoy a good story, your local public library is there to help."
- C "Libraries offer free access to information, learning, and entertainment for everyone."
- D "There are story times for young children, helping them learn to love reading."

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

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

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