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How can you tell?

HINT:

Which answers would Mr Mussell and Mr Tromans agree on?

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If two people could disagree on the answer, it is an opinion.

Today, we are going to look at the definition for the terms 'fact' and 'opinion'.

We will look at some advertisements and identify fact and opinion, thinking about the balance of both.

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FACTS

- Are true
- Can be proved or checked
- Are not linked to how people feel.

OPINIONS

- Cannot be proved
- Are linked to feelings
- Can be argued
- Can be supported by facts.

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Task: Investigate persuasion using fact and opinion.

Watch the Dettol advert: youtu.be/QjaQdOXPJHU

- Write the main messages out.
- Rank them in order of persuasiveness.
- Does it use mainly fact, opinion or both?

Extension:

- Research another advert e.g. Calgon, Fairy liquid, Moonpig, Waitrose, etc.
- 2. Do they use mainly fact or opinion, or a mix of both?

Here are the main messages:

Kids love bath time.

Bacteria thrive in warm damp places.

Dettol Power + Pure Bathroom is the tough cleaner that you need.

It kills 99.9% of bacteria.

Dettol leaves your home healthier and happier.