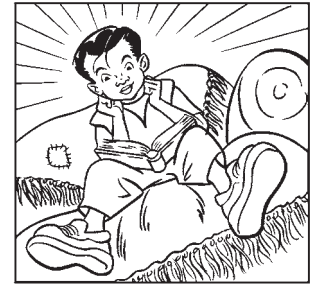


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**Instructions:** What do you think the author's main purpose for writing this story was? Use the chart to make comments about each purpose and why you think each was or was not the author's main purpose for writing.

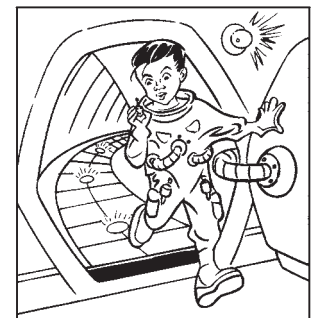
**Persuade?**



**Inform?**



**Entertain?**



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**Instructions:** Read the following sentences. Then decide whether or not the exclamation mark was used correctly. Remember, exclamation marks are used to show strong emotion, surprise, or strong command.

1. My name is Miguel!

\_\_\_\_\_ used correctly      \_\_\_\_\_ not used correctly

2. I need to stay late after school today!

\_\_\_\_\_ used correctly      \_\_\_\_\_ not used correctly

3. Quit bugging me!

\_\_\_\_\_ used correctly      \_\_\_\_\_ not used correctly

4. I ate my lunch outside!

\_\_\_\_\_ used correctly      \_\_\_\_\_ not used correctly

5. Quick! Dial 911!

\_\_\_\_\_ used correctly      \_\_\_\_\_ not used correctly

6. The roller coaster ride was amazing!

\_\_\_\_\_ used correctly      \_\_\_\_\_ not used correctly

7. The cowboys rounded up the cows!

\_\_\_\_\_ used correctly      \_\_\_\_\_ not used correctly

8. He couldn't believe he was light as a feather on the moon!

\_\_\_\_\_ used correctly      \_\_\_\_\_ not used correctly



Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Find the similes in *The Great Gallardo's Books* and write them in the blanks. Below each sentence, write what two things are being compared. Finally, write a simile of your own to describe something or someone in the book.

1. His balance shifted, \_\_\_\_\_. (p. 9)

Comparison: \_\_\_\_\_

2. The air seeping into his nostrils smelled artificial \_\_\_\_\_. (p. 15)

Comparison: \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ as light as a feather. (p. 17)

Comparison: \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

like a helium balloon that had been cut free. (p. 18)

Comparison: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Bulging, laser-like eyes glowed from the fleshy face of a creature almost as

\_\_\_\_\_. (p. 19)

Comparison: \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_, like pouring syrup on pancakes. (p. 21)

Comparison: \_\_\_\_\_

7. My simile: \_\_\_\_\_

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