

## Author's Purpose

An **author's purpose**, or reason, for writing can be

- to inform or give readers information
- to entertain or write a fun story
- to persuade or try to get readers to do or believe something

**Read the story.**

Tomas's class was studying dinosaurs. Each student had to write a question about dinosaurs.

The other students had to find the answer. Some tried to find the answers in a book about dinosaurs. No one could find the answer to Tomas's question. This was it: What kind of dinosaur is a bad driver? Finally, Tomas told everyone: Tyrannosaurus wrecks!

**What is the author's purpose? Check it.**

to inform       to entertain       to persuade

**How do you know this is the author's purpose?**

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