

ROLE-PLAYING AND DISCOVERY

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Reading Strategy

IDENTIFY AUTHOR’S PURPOSE

The **author’s purpose** is the reason or reasons the author has for writing a work.
Authors often write to:

- inform or explain
- express thoughts or feelings
- persuade
- entertain

Directions: In the proper column of the chart, write reasons or clues that suggest the author’s purpose for writing the essay.

To Inform or Explain	To Express Thoughts or Feelings	To Persuade	To Entertain