

EVIDENCE versus OPINION - Part 2

Note: Ss is shorthand for "students"

Below are some sample observer notes. Identify which are evidence and which are opinion. Then rewrite any opinion statements as a statement that could be classified as evidence.

SCENARIO	E/O?	REWRITE OPINION AS EVIDENCE
1. Ss in Mr. B's biology class don't seem to like him.		
2. Two Ss off task – disrupt others. Mr. P. goes over, stands. Behavior stops.		
3. Mr. J.: "Boys shouldn't take home economics."		
4. (First day of class) Ms. J – roll: "Correct me if I mispronounce your name"		
5. Ss didn't do very well on the biology test.		
6. Ms. A. tells Ss, "disappointed" with performance on test.		
7. T. has difficulty managing several instructional groups at once.		
8. Ss experimenting with batteries, bulbs and wire. Two Ss borrow supplies to take home.		
9. Ss watch interviews – TV; small group discuss techniques used.		
10. When tests are returned, @ 7 students make comments that they didn't understand the grading criteria. 2 students said, "Unfair!"		
11. Ss demonstrate their findings with pride.		
12. The room is attractive and cheerful.		