

Name _____



Reading Reasons

Directions: Read each short paragraph. Match it to the **most likely purpose**: to inform, to entertain, to persuade, or to explain. Write the correct letter next to each number.

A. To inform

B. To entertain

C. To persuade

D. To explain

____ 1. Ants can carry objects that are many times heavier than their own bodies. They work together to move food back to their nests.

____ 2. You should join the after school art club because it helps you learn new skills and make friends. Many students say it is the best part of their week.

____ 3. The moment the dog saw the mud puddle, it leaped without warning. Splash. Brown water flew everywhere, including onto the clean laundry on the line.

____ 4. To grow healthy beans, first soak the seeds overnight. Next, plant them in soil and water them every day.

____ 5. Many places measure rainfall using special tools called rain gauges. These tools help scientists track weather patterns.

____ 6. Reading every night before bed can improve your memory and help you sleep better. Try turning off screens and opening a book instead.