# Best Ice Cream Topping

Grade 3

Name _____ Date _____

**Remember: Opinion writing** tells what **you think** and **why**. Use **OREO**: state your **O**pinion, give **R**easons, add **E**xamples, then say your **O**pinion again.

**Opinion words:** *I think ... I believe ... In my opinion ... because ... For example ... That is why ...*

## 1. Fact or opinion?

Strong opinion writing uses facts as evidence. Circle **fact** or **opinion**.



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| 1 | Ice cream is made from milk or cream. | fact | opinion |
| 2 | Chocolate sauce makes every dessert better. | fact | opinion |
| 3 | Whipped cream is cream with air beaten into it. | fact | opinion |
| 4 | Whipped cream is the fluffiest, best topping. | fact | opinion |
| 5 | Ice cream melts when it gets warm. | fact | opinion |
| 6 | Sprinkles are prettier than sauce. | fact | opinion |

## 2. Opinion and reason

Circle the best answer.

**1. Which sentence states a clear opinion?**

(a) Ice cream is cold.
(b) I think chocolate sauce is the best ice cream topping.
(c) We bought a cone.

**2. Which is the strongest reason for whipped cream?**

(a) It is light and fluffy, so it doesn't hide the ice cream's flavour.
(b) It is white.
(c) I saw it once.

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## 3. Plan with OREO

**Prompt:** Which ice cream topping is best: chocolate sauce or whipped cream? Plan your answer.

**O – Opinion: what do you think?**

**R – Reason 1**

**E – Example for reason 1**

**R – Reason 2**

**E – Example for reason 2**

**O – Opinion again**

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## 4. Write your opinion paragraph

Use your OREO plan.

**Prompt:** Which ice cream topping is best: chocolate sauce or whipped cream?

**Check:** ☐ Clear opinion ☐ Two reasons ☐ An example for each ☐ Linking words ☐ Opinion restated at the end

# Answer Key

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*Sample notes. Answers will vary.*

**O – Opinion: what do you think?**
Chocolate sauce is the best topping.

**R – Reason 1**
It goes with almost every flavour.

**E – Example for reason 1**
It tastes great on vanilla, strawberry and even mint ice cream.

**R – Reason 2**
It turns ice cream into a special treat.

**E – Example for reason 2**
On my birthday, Dad pours warm chocolate sauce on my sundae.

**O – Opinion again**
That is why chocolate sauce is the best topping.

# Model Answer

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## 4. Write your opinion paragraph

*A model answer to share with students. Their writing will be different.*

I think chocolate sauce is the best ice cream topping. First, it goes with almost every flavour. Chocolate sauce tastes great on vanilla, strawberry and even mint ice cream. Another reason is that it turns plain ice cream into a special treat. On my birthday, my dad warms the sauce and pours it over my sundae, and it hardens into a crunchy shell. That is why chocolate sauce is the best ice cream topping.