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Informational Article: The following article by Maria Simson appeared in the "Book News" section of *Publisher's Weekly* just prior to the release of *Who Killed My Daughter?*, Duncan's 1992 book.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_ refers to the reasons the writer has for writing.

2. Authors write for a variety of reasons, including to \_\_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, or to \_\_\_\_\_\_,

3. What was the purpose of Maria Simson's article?

4. Looking at the section of the reading that is marked with the number 1 and is four paragraphs long, what would you say is Simson's purpose in this part of the article?

- 5. What reasons does Carole Baron give for publishing the book?
- a. People are interested in this mystery and want it solved.

b. People find the book easy to read and want the murder solved.

c. People need to educated about the increasing violence against children, and the book is easy to read.

d. People need to educated about the increasing violence against children, and they want this murder solved.

6. Simson's purpose in these two paragraphs numbered with two in brackets is the following?

a. Simson's purpose is to help find the killer and why Baron's book is important to many different types of readers.

b. Simson's purpose is help promote the book so that it will sell and to make sure children do not get hurt.

c. Simson's purpose in these paragraphs is to tell the reader why Baron's book is important to not just YA (young adult readers, but for adult readers as well.)

d. Simson's purpose in these paragraphs is to tell the reader why Baron's book is important to not just YA (young adult) readers, but for adult readers as well, and she hopes to inform parents about violence.

7. Why do you think Simson includes this paragraph in a promotional piece for the publishing industry? Does she want to inform, to persuade, to entertain, or to express an opinion? Explain and use quotes from the last paragraph marked 3 to support your answer.