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- 1 What is the *main* purpose of this selection?
 - A to persuade readers to buy a camera
 - B to inform readers about a company's services
 - C to explain how to order products from Shortz Camera
 - D to persuade readers that film photography is better than digital photography

- 2 To accomplish her purpose, the author uses a tone that—
 - A is scornful of digital cameras
 - B appeals to the reader's sense of quality
 - C speaks to the reader's desire to save money
 - D encourages the reader to try something new and exciting

- 3 Which of these statements states a fact?
 - A Digital photography is easy and convenient.
 - B There is nothing like the sharpness and depth you get from a good 35 mm camera.
 - C Now is the perfect time to get a new camera.
 - D The offer is good at all Shortz Camera locations.

Recognizing
Author's
Purpose

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Editor:

I am responding to Andrew Riley's letter of May 24. At first, I thought it had to be a joke. Mr. Riley could not seriously be suggesting that Glen Canyon Dam be torn down. That dam provides electric power and flood protection to our region. Thousands of people, including my family, enjoy boating on Lake Powell, which lies behind the dam.

Then I saw that Mr. Riley lives in Portland, Oregon. He only comes here for vacation—*his* kind of vacation. He says that without the dam, there would be more wild and scenic land to explore. He must like to imagine himself as a pioneer or an Indian. Well, I'm descended from both pioneers *and* Indians, but I live in the 21st century. The people of our region would be worse off without Glen Canyon Dam. But Mr. Andrew Riley obviously cares more about fish than people.

We're glad you like Canyonlands so much, Mr. Riley. But next time you come to the Southwest, you might want to visit some of our towns and cities, too. Talk to some of the people who live and work here. Find out just how important that dam is to us. You see, we love this region, too. We live here.

Amy Soler

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1 Why did Amy write this letter?

2 Which of these *best* summarizes Amy's point of view?

- A Mr. Riley only comes to the region for vacation, so he doesn't know how important the dam is to the people who live here.
- B Mr. Riley's letter of May 24 was meant as a joke and should not be taken seriously.
- C Improving the lives of people is more important than protecting nature.
- D "Wild and scenic land" is an idea that belongs to another century.

3 List four **facts** and four statements of **opinion** in Amy's letter.

FACTS	OPINIONS
1. _____ _____	1. _____ _____
2. _____ _____	2. _____ _____
3. _____ _____	3. _____ _____
4. _____ _____	4. _____ _____