



Main Idea and Summarizing

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 4

Part A: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. A passage about how trains changed travel has the main idea that trains made _____ faster and easier.
2. The _____ sentence of a paragraph sometimes wraps up the main idea.
3. When you summarize a story, include the setting, characters, problem, and _____.
4. An informational text about recycling might have the _____ idea that reusing materials protects natural resources.
5. A summary should not change the _____ of the original text.
6. Details that repeat the same information are called _____ and should be left out of a summary.
7. Photographs and captions in an article can give clues about the _____ idea.
8. A summary of a science experiment should describe the question, the method, and the _____.
9. A strong reader checks whether each detail is _____ to the main idea before including it in a summary.

Part B: Matching

Match each item on the left to the correct answer on the right.

1. Match each item to its correct answer.

A passage about why sleep is important for kids	→ _____	Bicycles evolved from simple wooden frames to modern geared machines
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Part A: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. A passage about how trains changed travel has the main idea that trains made transportation faster and easier.
2. The last sentence of a paragraph sometimes wraps up the main idea.
3. When you summarize a story, include the setting, characters, problem, and solution.
4. An informational text about recycling might have the main idea that reusing materials protects natural resources.
5. A summary should not change the meaning of the original text.
6. Details that repeat the same information are called redundant and should be left out of a summary.
7. Photographs and captions in an article can give clues about the main idea.
8. A summary of a science experiment should describe the question, the method, and the results.
9. A strong reader checks whether each detail is related to the main idea before including it in a summary.

Part B: Matching

Match each item on the left to the correct answer on the right.

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A passage about why sleep is important for kids	→ <u>Getting enough sleep helps children grow, learn, and stay healthy.</u>	Bicycles evolved from simple wooden frames to modern geared machines over two centuries.
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