

Main Idea

What's the Main Idea?

The main idea tells us what or who the story is mostly about.



LOOK at the name of the story and the pictures.

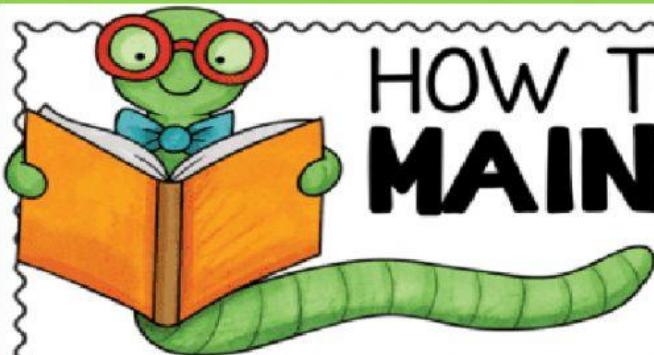


CLUE WORDS are words used over and over.

Think about the story “The Three Little Pigs”

- What is the story mostly about?
- What is the main idea?
- The story is about three little pigs and the wolf trying to ruin their houses.





HOW TO FIND MAIN IDEA

BEFORE YOU READ:

- Read the title.
- What is the text about?
- What is the topic?

DURING THE READING:

- Look for and carefully read text features.
- Is the text fiction, non-fiction...
- Look for information, words, and pictures that are repeated.

AFTER YOU READ:

- Think about the most important point about the topic.
- What details or examples back up and support the main idea?

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A set of handwritten notes on lined paper. At the top, the word "Main Idea" is written in red inside a cloud-like shape. Below it, a list starts with an asterisk followed by "what the text is about." in red. This is followed by a cloud-like shape containing the word "Details" in purple. The list continues with "evidence to support main idea." in purple. Below this, a question is written in blue: "How do we find the Main idea?". The list then continues with several items in blue, all enclosed in yellow boxes: "look at the title", "read the first sentence or paragraph", "read the last sentence or paragraph", and "look for repeating words, phrases or ideas." The note concludes with "THE PICTURE BOOK TEACHER'S EDITION" in blue at the bottom right.

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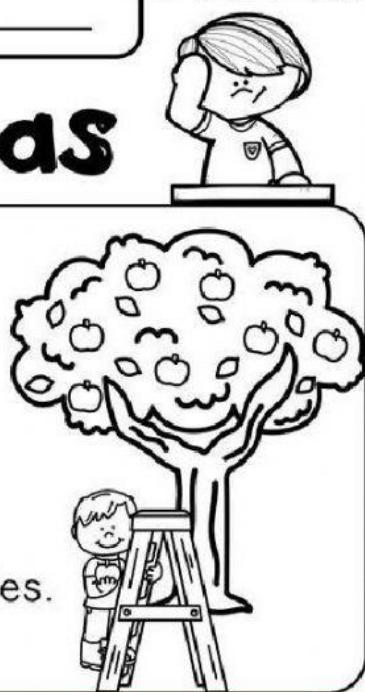
Main Ideas

I have an apple tree.

It is in my garden.

It is very tall.

I am going to pick the apples.



1. What is the main idea?

- a. I love apples.
- b. My tree is big.
- c. I have an apple tree.

2. Where is the apple tree?

- a.
- b.

