

“My mother taught me how to make tea,” said Mama. “She also taught me how to plant a traditional Japanese garden. I learned to make the most of a small, compact space.”


All of a sudden, Jill’s mother smiled. “Can you help us with a project?” she asked. “Our **community** wants to plant a garden. Our plot is very small. There is so much we want to grow.”

Papa looked at Mama, and they both bowed.

“Yes,” they said.


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## Main Idea Map



What is the big idea?  
What does the author want you to understand the most?


Main Idea







What important information helps explain or backs up the main idea?  
Is your detail important or just interesting?


Supporting Detail #1





Supporting Detail #2





Supporting Detail #3