

RI.4.2 Determine the main idea and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.

Homework – 9.22.2021

Passage 1**Hummingbirds in Your Backyard**

Watching hummingbirds in your backyard is fun and interesting. Their little wings make a humming sound as they flap. Zipping backwards and forwards from plant to plant, hummingbirds are amusing to watch. They love bright flowers. The birds get nectar from the flowers. Nectar is a liquid that flowers have that hummingbirds drink for food. To get hummingbirds into your backyard, you can plant bright flowers and hang a hummingbird feeder on your porch. The little birds like to sip the nectar from petunias, morning glories, and other bright plants. These birds are drawn to red feeders because they love that color. Making hummingbird food is easy. Put four parts water and one part sugar into the feeder. Soon, you will have hummingbirds visiting your backyard every day.

1. **Part A** - The passage says that watching hummingbirds visit the backyard is fun. Which statement from the passage **best** supports this idea?

- a. "The little birds like to sip the nectar from petunias, morning glories, and other bright plants."
- b. "Zipping backwards and forwards from plant to plant, hummingbirds are amusing to watch."
- c. "Nectar is a liquid that flowers have that hummingbirds drink for food."
- d. "Soon, you will have hummingbirds visiting your backyard every day."

2. **How** does the statement in Part A support the main idea that watching hummingbirds visit the backyard is fun? Write in complete sentences.

Passage 2



There is often confusion when people discuss seafood. Some people wrongly use the word to refer to all kinds of fish. Seafood actually only refers to the fish that comes from the sea or saltwater fish. Flounder, Red Snapper, and Mahi Mahi are all types of saltwater fish or true seafood. Freshwater fish, which often comes from lakes or rivers, isn't really seafood. Catfish, trout, and bass are types of freshwater fish. People enjoy eating saltwater and freshwater fish. When discussing seafood, it is probably more accurate to use the generic term, fish.

1. Part A - What is the main idea of the passage above.

- a. This passage is mainly about how the word seafood can be confusing.
- b. This passage is mainly about how people enjoy eating seafood.
- c. This passage is mainly about how all types of fish are called seafood.
- d. This passage is mainly about how Seafood can be found is rivers, lakes, and oceans.

2. Part B - Which TWO sentences best support the main idea of the piece?

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