



Main Idea - Practice Along!

Name _____

Eggs are more than just something to eat for breakfast! You may have heard that eggs are rich in protein. The protein in eggs are actually very similar to the protein found in hair, so raw eggs make excellent hair conditioner! Did you know that eggs are rich in Vitamin A, too? That makes them a great lotion, as well! Just whisk some egg yolks in a bit of water, and you're all set to moisturize your skin! Finally, if you ever find yourself working on a project and you run out of glue, head to your refrigerator! Egg whites are quite sticky when they dry, so they can be used to glue paper. Eggs have MANY uses, which make them a handy item to always have in your home.

What is the **MAIN IDEA** of the above passage?

- a. Eggs are rich in protein and vitamin A.
- b. Eggs have many uses.
- c. People should always have eggs in their refrigerator.
- d. Eggs are a breakfast item enjoyed by many people.

Now identify 3 supporting details!

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Chicago is home to a number of well-known sports teams. It has two major league baseball teams. Most people have heard of the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago White Sox. It also has one National Football League team. Who hasn't heard of the Chicago Bears? The National Basketball Association is accounted for, too, with the Chicago Bulls. Finally, the National Hockey League cannot be forgotten. The Chicago Blackhawks are the hockey team of the Windy City in America's heartland.

What is the **MAIN IDEA** of the above passage?

- a. Professional sports leagues like Chicago.
- b. The NFL, NBA, and NHL need another team in Chicago.
- c. Chicago has many well-known professional sport teams.
- d. Chicago has many sport teams named after animals.

Now identify 3 supporting details!

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There are many kinds of bait that people use when they decide to go fishing. Some people choose to use worms or night-crawlers. Others are fond of minnows, which are very small fish that larger fish would be attracted to. Some people do not like to use live bait. They opt to use artificial bait, like lures and spinners. Fish are often attracted to the colors and movement of artificial bait.

What is the MAIN IDEA of the above passage?

- a. There are many options for fishing bait.
- b. Artificial bait isn't as effective as live bait.
- c. Live fishing bait is the best choice.
- d. Fish are attracted to bait.

Now identify 3 supporting details!

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As Jenna reads a good book, she transports herself into the world the characters are living. She connects with the main characters, and their hopes and fears become important to her, as well. Jenna imagines herself being friends with her favorite characters. Jenna's dad knows when Jenna has found a book that she enjoys reading, as she does little else until the book is read cover to cover! Suffice it to say that Jenna loves reading a good book.

What is the MAIN IDEA of the above passage?

- a. When Jenna reads, she transports herself into the world the characters are living.
- b. Jenna loves reading a good book.
- c. Jenna's dad knows when Jenna has found a good book.
- d. There are few things better than a good book.

Now identify 3 supporting details!

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NOW SELECT THE BEST TITLE FOR EACH OF THE ABOVE PASSAGES!

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| a. All About Eggs | b. The Many Uses of Eggs | a. Artificial Bait vs Live Bait | b. How People Choose Bait |
| c. The Many Health Benefits of Eggs | d. Why You Should Always Have Eggs in Your Refrigerator | c. Fishing Bait: Options Galore | d. Why Minnows Make the Best Fishing Bait |
| a. Animal Mascots in Sports | b. Chicago and Sports | a. Cover-to-Cover: Jenna Loves a Good Book | b. Memorable Book Characters & Settings |
| c. Windy City Sports | d. The Many Professional Sport Teams of Chicago | c. Qualities of Good Books | d. Why Everyone Should Read Books |