

When you look  at this book, what do you think it's mostly about? Look closely  at all details!



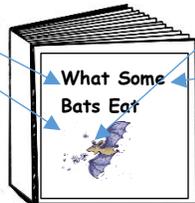
*If you said "bats". You are almost correct.

*If you said "Bats can eat insects," then you are correct!!!!!!

Why do you think this answer is better?

The second choice is better because it tells more information about the book.

It includes extra details. Look at the insects. Look at the words in the title



Main Idea = The "**main idea**" tells you what the story **is mostly** about:

Look at this "picture story." ↓ Read the **main idea**.

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Supporting details: (the supporting details are the "**facts**" and "**examples**" that "**back up**", or **justify** the **main idea**) Look here



Children can play soccer at the park.



Children can swing on the swings.



Children can use chalk to draw at the park.



Children can jump rope at the park.

Look at "story pictures" **A** and **B** carefully. Pay attention to the picture details. What is the main idea? (What is the "picture story" mostly about?) How do you know?

Read the sentences below each "picture story" and circle the one that is the main idea. **Tell why** you selected that one (as the main idea sentence).

A



- A---Birthdays are fun celebrations.
- B---Eating with your friends is fun.
- C---Pizza is the best food to eat.

I selected letter _____ because it _____

B



- A—You can see an elephant at the zoo.
- B—People see different animals at the zoo.
- C—Children see their favorite animals at the zoo.

I selected letter _____ because it _____

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Look at pictures "C" and "D" carefully. Pay attention to the picture details. What is the **main idea?** (What is the story mostly about?) How do you know? Tell how you know.

C



- A—Rock climbing is a challenging sport.
- B—Campfires are an important part of camping.
- C—Camping is a good way to enjoy nature (the natural world).

I selected letter ____ because it ____

D



- A—A community is a place where people live, work, and play.
- B—People talk to friends in a community.
- C—A community can be big or small.

I selected letter ____ because it ____

Wednesday: (Study the Bubble Map).

Notice that the main idea is in the middle bubble (or center). The details of the story are on the "outside bubbles." You will practice using a bubble map for "picture stories" A and B. Picture story "A" is the one you did on Monday. Picture story "B" was Tuesday. Look for the Bubble Map pages (in the email) or you can draw our own Bubble Maps. On Thursday, or Friday, you will do a Bubble map for "picture stories" C and D.

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Main idea

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