

MAIN IDEA

Digital Lesson Activities

For
3rd & 4th
Grade

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Main Idea

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Detail

Key Detail

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A Few Example Pages

Here's a peek of what it looks like in Google Classroom. The instructions and moveable pieces of over to the right-hand side.

Practice Passages for Main Idea

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-Write the
idea and the
data

Here are a few other example pages of what's included. These and many more are available in Slides or Seesaw!

Main Idea **Key Detail**

What's the Main Idea?

Despite their size, manatees are peaceful animals. They slowly graze on plants all day. Manatees swim slowly, too. Their slow behaviors have gotten them the nickname "sea cows". They often come to inspect people and boats that are in the water.

Main Idea

The main idea is the overall of a text.

The main idea is identified with a

The main topic is supported by

What's the Main Idea?

Learning to cook is a valuable skill.

Water is the most important thing you can consume.

You should always wear a helmet when biking.

Technology in classrooms helps educate students.

What's the Main Idea?

People need to follow some guidelines to keep themselves in good physical shape. To do this, someone will need to perform regular physical exercise. The exercise needs to be harder than what that person is used to doing in their normal life. People should also eat healthy. The food pyramid is a good tool to follow. Fruits and vegetables should be consumed regularly. Finally, people need to get good sleep. Adults should get around 8 hours per day and children should get even more.

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Google Slides & Seesaw

Main Idea Anchor Charts

How to use: Students will drag and drop pieces onto digital anchor charts.

Picture Main Ideas

How to use: Students will either drag-and-drop or type in the main idea based off a picture.

Paragraph Main Ideas

How to use: Students will either drag-and-drop or type in the main idea based off a paragraph.

Main Idea & Key Detail Sort

How to use: Students will drag-and-drop main ideas and key details into the right categories.

Matching Key Details

How to use: Students will either drag-and-drop or type in a possible key details when given a main idea.

Identify Topic, Main Idea, & Key Details

How to use: Students will identify the main topic, the main idea, and two key details from a short paragraph.

Practice Passages

How to use: Students will read the passage and write the main topic and three key details.