

Main Idea

Read each paragraph and choose the main idea.

Brad is sixteen years old and yesterday he had his first driving lesson. "Back out of the driveway carefully," his dad said. "Be sure you look in the mirror to make sure nobody is behind you." Brad backed the car up and turned the wheel quickly. He and his father felt the car go bump. Oh no! Brad hit the mailbox.

The main idea of this paragraph is:

- a. Brad's father was angry.
- b. Brad has good driving skills.
- c. Brad's first driving lesson did not go well.
- d. Brad always drives poorly.

It was Mother's Day so Amy and Rob woke up

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Ivy and her friend, Fern, went bowling last Thursday. Ivy had never bowled before, but she was excited to try. On the first frame, Ivy's ball landed in the gutter. She knocked down one or two pins on most of her turns. Ivy did not get any strikes or spares. Fern said to Ivy, "The score doesn't matter as long as we are having fun."

The main idea of this paragraph is:

- a. Ivy is an excellent bowler.
- b. Ivy and Fern will go bowling again.
- c. Ivy is a better bowler than Fern.
- d. Ivy is not a good bowler.

ANSWER KEY

Main Idea

Read each paragraph and choose the main idea.

Brad is sixteen years old and yesterday he had his first driving lesson. "Back out of the driveway carefully," his dad said. "Be sure you look in the mirror to see if you're clear." Brad backed out of the driveway. He and his dad hit the main road.

The main idea of this paragraph is:

- a. Brad's father was angry.
- b. Brad has good driving skills.

It was early in the morning and some eggs were broken. Some boys were surprised to see Amy. Amy was going to cook breakfast for them. They did not know she was there.

Ivy and Fern were bowling on Thursday. Ivy was excited to try. On the first frame, Ivy's ball landed in the gutter. She knocked down one or two pins on most of her turns. Ivy did not get any strikes or spares. Fern said to Ivy, "The score doesn't matter as long as we are having fun."

- c. Ivy and Fern will go bowling again.
- c. Ivy is a better bowler than Fern.
- d. **Ivy is not a good bowler.**

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