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1 Insects can be small but have lots of parts. Insects have six legs, a three-part body, a pair of antennae, compound eyes, and jointed legs. Insect bodies are surrounded by an exoskeleton.

What is the **main idea** of this paragraph?

- A Insects have lots of parts.
- B Bugs are crunchy when eaten.
- C A bug has six legs.
- D A bug has eyes.



3 Hurricanes are strong storms that form over the ocean. Hurricanes bring winds over 74 miles an hour and lots of water. They can cause great damage to buildings and towns.

What is the **main idea** of this paragraph?

- A Hurricane winds are very strong.
- B Hurricanes cause rain and flooding.
- C Hurricanes are powerful storms that form over the ocean.
- D Hurricanes are dangerous storms that form over the ocean.

4 If the main idea of a paragraph is that Mrs. Lee's class planned a surprise birthday party for her, what would be a **detail** that would support this main idea?

- A Their last game had started at 7:00.
- B Baseball season will start next week.
- C The fans ate a lot of popcorn.
- D The Dominators played the Predators in the championship game.

- A Her class had 12 boys and 14 girls.
- B The principal helped them keep it a surprise.



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7 Every state has a state flag. The U.S. flag has white stars. Every part of the American flag means something. The U.S. flag has red stripes.

What is the **main idea** of this paragraph?

- A We say the Pledge of Allegiance everyday.
- B The U.S. flag has white stars.
- C Every part of the American flag means something.
- D The U.S. flag has red stripes.



9 Rainforests are full of life. They are thick forests with lots of vegetation. They are also very warm and wet. Rainforests are home to a large variety of plants and animals.

What is the **main idea** of this paragraph?

- A Rainforests are full of life.
- B It rains in rainforests.
- C Birds live in rainforests.
- D Green plants grow in rainforests.



10 If the main idea of a paragraph is that kids can lose their baby teeth starting at the age of 5, what would be a **detail** that would support this main idea?

- B The weatherman predicted the snowstorm.
- C I had lots of homework.
- D A snowball came through the window.



- A My Grandpa has false teeth.
- B My younger sister lost her first tooth this morning.
- C Children can start losing their baby teeth when they are 5.
- D I like my dentist's office.





ANSWER KEY

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(a)

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- D** The Dominators played the Predators in the championship game.

(d)

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- C** Hurricanes are powerful storms that form over the sea.
- D**

(c)

If the main idea of a paragraph is that Mrs. Lee's class planned a surprise birthday party for her, what would be a **detail** that would support this main idea?

- A** Her class had 12 boys and 14 girls.
- B** The principal helped them keep it a surprise.
- C** Mrs. Lee has been teaching for 10 years.



(b)



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