

# MAIN IDEA TASK CARD BUNDLE

Here is the supporting detail:

Paper was invented in China about 2,000 years ago.

Which one would be the matching main idea?

- A. Paper is the most recycled item.
- B. Paper has a long history.
- C. Origami is the art of folding paper.

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Here are the supporting details:

1. The Eiffel Tower took two years, two months, and five days to build.
2. The Eiffel Tower was named after the person who designed it.
3. The Eiffel Tower is the tallest tower in the world.
4. The Eiffel Tower is made of iron.

What is the main idea?

Here is the supporting detail:

Unlike housecats, bobcats eat only meat.

Which one would be the matching main idea?

- A. Bobcats live in many places.
- B. Bobcats have a special way of running.
- C. Bobcats and housecats are alike and different.

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Main Idea:

The Taj Mahal is a famous landmark in India.

Which one is NOT a supporting detail?

- A. India borders the Bay of Bengal on one side.
- B. The Taj Mahal was built in India by Shah Jahan in memory of his third wife, Mumtaz Mahal.
- C. It took 22,000 workers to build the Taj Mahal.
- D. Over one million people visit the Taj Mahal each year.

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## Here are the supporting details:

1. Saturn's rings were discovered in the 1600s.
2. Saturn's rings are made of ice and rock.
3. The rings around Saturn are large but very thin (about the size of a football field).
4. Saturn has seven main rings; thousands of smaller rings.

What is the Main

**Main Idea:**  
**Hot air balloons are made of several parts.**  
**Which one is NOT a supporting detail?**

- A. The largest part of a hot air balloon is the balloon itself, called an envelope.
- B. Weather balloons collect information for meteorologists.
- C. The hot air inside the balloon is warmed by a heat source called a burner.
- D. The basket on a hot air balloon is for carrying passengers.

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The queen is the most powerful piece in chess.

Which one would be the matching main idea?

- A. There are six different types of chess pieces.
- B. The first modern chess board was made in 1090 in Europe.
- C. Russia has more grandmasters (world-class chess players) than any other nation.



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**Main Idea:**  
**Tootsie Rolls have a fun history.**  
**Which one is NOT a supporting detail?**

A. In 1896, Leo Hirschfield invented the Tootsie Roll and named it after his daughter.

B. Tootsie rolls were delivered by horse and buggy in 1905.

C. M&M's were invented in 1941.

D. From 1942 - 1945 Tootsie Rolls were sent to American troops in World War II to give them quick energy.

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**Main Idea:**  
**A sea turtle's life cycle has three stages.**  
**Which one is NOT a supporting detail?**

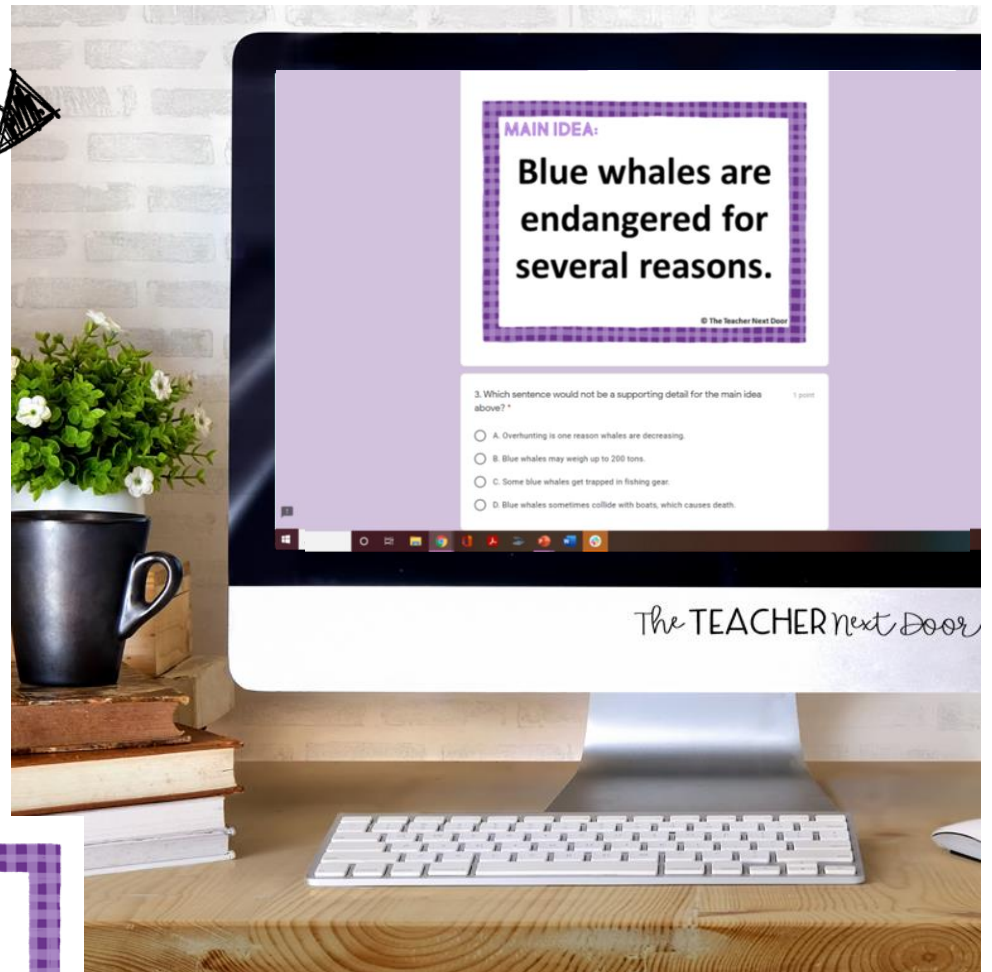
A. Tortoises and turtles are related.

B. Sea turtle mothers lay eggs under the sand.

C. When the eggs hatch, the hatchlings crawl to the sea.

D. When the hatchlings grow older (in 10 - 50 years), they become adults.

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**Here are the supporting details:**

1. Chipmunks live in underground burrows.
2. A burrow may be 30 feet long and 3 feet wide.
3. Burrows have different chambers like a nursery, a food storing area, a bathroom, and a bedroom.
4. Chipmunks keep the entrance to their burrow hidden.

What is the Main Idea?

**Here are the supporting details:**

1. The five ocean biomes include the Atlantic, Pacific, Indian, Southern, and the Arctic Ocean.
2. Most tropical rainforest biomes are found in South America in Brazil.
3. Except for Antarctica, there are grassland biomes on each continent.
4. Desert biomes may be hot and dry, semi-arid, coastal, or cold.

What is the Main Idea?

**Here are the supporting details:**

1. The name Tyrannosaurus rex means "king of the tyrant lizards"!
2. The Tyrannosaurus preyed on animals both living and dead.
3. Tyrannosaurus rex was a carnivore.
4. The Tyrannosaurus rex had sharp teeth and powerful jaws.

What is the Main Idea?

Can be used for:

- Exit Slips
- SCOOT
- Scavenger Hunts

# TEACHERS ARE SAYING THIS:

Love the different types of questions used to find the main idea or details.

Very helpful practice for my students!

(Tiffany Hughes)

Great review for students struggling with main idea.  
(Janette S.)

I love this resource. The students were very engaged and I will definitely use this again.

(Fionna P.)



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## MAIN IDEA BUNDLE DIFFERENTIATED UNIT

**SNOW LEOPARDS**

Snow Leopards like to live in steep, rocky places. These rare animals may be found in the mountains of Central Asia. They live in the Himalayan Mountains of Nepal, India, Pakistan, Mongolia, China, Afghanistan, and Russia. During the summer, snow leopards stay in the mountains, but in the winter, they often leave the mountains and live in the forests.

Many animals would not be able to survive in the very cold winters of the Himalayan Mountains, but the snow leopard's body is made for freezing weather. Their bodies are covered in thick fur, and their feet are also fur-covered, large, and work well as snowshoes. Snow leopards can leap as far as fifty feet using their powerful legs! They use their

**CASTLES**

The Middle Ages were from about 500 to 1500 AD. Most countries in Europe at that time were ruled by kings. The kings of the world had to wear to gain land, knights and soldiers were used to defend such kingdoms' lands. During this time, thousands of castles were built across Europe. Castles were used by the nobles, but they were also known for being dangerous.

**MR. POTATO HEAD**

George Lerner was an artist and an inventor from Brooklyn, New York. In 1943, Lerner had an idea to make fruits and vegetables into funny characters using plastic pieces. He created plastic sliced noses, ears, eyes, and mouth-piece teeth could be

**ASTERIODS**

In 1801, the first asteroid was discovered by Giuseppe Piazzi in Sicily, Italy. It was named Ceres (after the Roman goddess of agriculture). The asteroid was named Ceres (after the Roman goddess of agriculture). It is about 600 miles wide. It is not big that it is even called a dwarf planet.

**THE LONDON EYE**

In the 1990s, a contest was held in London, England. They wanted to make a new monument for the city of London. The contest was held in 1991. They wanted to celebrate a new century. Two architects

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C. Bobcats and hoveacats are alike and different.  
D. Bobcats are very cute.

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2. The Eiffel Tower is made of iron.  
3. The Eiffel Tower was designed by and named after the engineer Gustave Eiffel.  
4. The Eiffel Tower was completed in 1889.

**What is the Main Idea?**

**T-I-C-T-A-C-T-O-E BOARD**

**T-I-C-T-A-C-T-O-E BOARDING**

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