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Free sample

Main Idea and Inference

Six questions to try. Then check your answers on page 2.

Remember

Main idea = the point · **inference** = clues + what I know · prove it with **evidence**

1 Topic or main idea? **Camels**

topic main idea

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2 He shivered and zipped his coat. Infer the weather.

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3 An inference needs clues and _____.

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4 What is evidence?

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5 Should a summary include your opinion?

yes no

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6 The baby giggled and clapped. How does the baby feel? Give a clue.

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Answers

1. **topic** — It is one word.
2. **It is cold.** — Shivering + coat.
3. **what I already know** — Background knowledge.
4. **words from the text that prove an answer** — Quote it.
5. **no** — Only main idea and key details.
6. **happy; giggled / clapped** — Clue + inference.

In the full pack

13 questions in 5 parts (1 · main idea, 2 · inference, 3 · evidence, 4 · summary, 5 · be a reading detective), a notes page, a full answer key, a 14-slide teaching deck with a reading-detective task, and a 22-question online practice set (10 questions are free online).

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