

main idea & Details SORT

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(Copy numbers on colored paper, cut out and glue to individual envelopes or plastic bags. Then place designated sentence strips in each numbered envelope.)

one

two

three

four

five

six

seven

(Copy sentences on colored paper, cut out each sentence and place in designated numbered envelopes or plastic bags.)

Envelope One:

I like to do fun things in San Francisco.

I like to walk across the Golden Gate Bridge.

I like to drive down Lombard Street.

I like to go to Ocean Beach.

Envelope Two:

I like a lot of subjects in school.

I like to do math.

I love to read books.

I like to write in my writing notebook.

Envelope Three:

I like to visit different websites on the Internet.

I watch videos on youtube.com.

I read the news on cnn.com.

I practice my math problems on IXL.com.

Envelope Four:

I like to eat dessert after dinner.

I like to eat vanilla ice cream with sprinkles.

I love cookies with frosting.

I also like to drink chocolate shakes.

Envelope Five:

I love shopping at Trader Joes!

I help my mom pick out ripe bananas.

My mom lets me buy cheese and crackers.

I get to push the little shopping cart.

Envelope Six:

I love to play sports.

I play basketball at recess.

After school, I take dance classes.

On the weekends I play soccer with my family.

Envelope Seven:

My dad loves to go to Starbucks before work.

He likes regular coffee with cream and sugar.

Sometimes he buys a bagel with cream cheese.

He always leaves a tip for the barista.

(Use the recording sheet on the next page for students to write down the main idea from each numbered envelope or bag. The answer key is the last page in the document. Students can work independently, with partners or in groups. The game can be used to practice identifying main idea and details or as a final assessment on main ideas/details.)

name _____

let's find the main idea!

main idea one: _____

main idea two: _____

main idea three: _____

main idea four: _____

main idea five: _____

main idea six: _____

main idea seven: _____

name _____ {answer key} _____

let's find the main idea!

main idea one: i like to DO fun things in san francisco.

main idea two: i like a lot of SUBJECTS in SCHOOL.

main idea three: i like to Visit Different WEBSites on
the internet.

main idea four: i like to eat DESSERT after Dinner.

main idea five: i LOVE SHOPPING at trader JOES!

main idea six: i LOVE to play SPORTS.

main idea seven: my Dad LOVES to GO to Starbucks
Before WORK.

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