

Using What You Know

The main idea is often an opinion, not a fact. The writer uses details to convince the reader that his or her opinion is the correct one.

Read the main ideas on this page. Each main idea is an opinion. Write a few detail sentences that support the main idea. The first one is done for you.

Main Idea: Everyone should have a hobby.

Detail: Hobbies are fun activities.

Detail: There are many kinds of hobbies.

Detail: Hobbies keep people from being lonely.

Main Idea: Children exercise more than adults.

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Main Idea: Homework should not be assigned on Fridays.

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Main Idea: Hot weather is nicer than cold weather.

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Main Idea: Dogs make better pets than cats.

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