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I Can Write About Main Idea & Details!

• Sentence Frames with Transition Words and Phrases •

Main Idea First, choose a sentence frame to write about the main idea (what the text is <i>mostly</i> about).	Details Then, write about two or more supporting details (facts that tell more about the main idea).
<p>The main idea of this text is _____.</p> <p>First, it is important to know _____.</p> <p>This text is mostly about _____.</p> <p>The point the author is trying to make is _____.</p> <p>The gist of this text is _____.</p>	<p>I know this because _____.</p> <p>Because, _____ and _____.</p> <p>An important detail is _____. Also, _____.</p> <p>In fact, the author supports this by saying _____.</p> <p>The details that support the main idea are _____ and _____.</p>
<p>* Therefore, the main idea is _____. (Use this sentence frame after describing the details that support it.)</p>	<p>* The author says _____ and _____. (Use this sentence frame before describing the main idea.)</p>

Directions: Study the graphic organizer. Then, use sentence frames to write about the main idea and details.


