

## Lesson 9: Quiz 1 - How to Find the Main Idea of an Essay

**Directions:** Select the item that best represents the main idea of the essay.

### 1. Topic: Holiday Celebration

**Brainstorm List:**

Fireworks	July	Parades	Picnics	Fun
Independence	Barbeques	Holiday	Special	Family
Friends	Flags	Speeches	Parties	Celebration

Select the best main idea.

**Select one:**

- (a). Family Fun
- (b). Barbeques
- (c). July Fourth

### 2. Topic: Entertainment Problem

**Brainstorm List:**

Crime	Video games	Doctors
Violence	Television	Family
Children	Internet	Parents
Harm	Cartoons	Teachers
Influence	Music	Movies

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Select the best main idea.

**Select one:**

- (a). Crime, violence, and children.
- (b). Children, entertainment, and violence.
- (c). Children, parents, and violence.

### 3. Topic: Misunderstanding

**Brainstorm List:**

Upset	Sorry/regret	Yell	Angry
Hurt feelings	Poor communication	Mistake	Argue
Forgive	Misunderstood	Apology	Old friends

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**Select one:**

- (a). Friends, family, and fights.
- (b). Arguments, apology, and forgiveness
- (c). Apology and forgiveness.

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### 4. Topic: Things to Enjoy

#### Brainstorm List:

New recipes	Entertain	Special dinners
Family gatherings	Fun	Cooking
Smells good	Candles/flowers	Enjoyable

Select the best main idea.

#### Select one:

- (a). Cooking and decorating.
- (b). Entertainment and cooking are enjoyable.
- (c). Cooking is fun.