

Reading Comprehension: Summarising and Author's Purpose

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Worksheet for Class 5 English: Reading Comprehension: Summarising and Author's Purpose.

Questions

1. What does the acronym PIE stand for when discussing author's purpose?
2. What is the difference between the main idea and a supporting detail?
3. If an author writes an article titled "Why Plastic Straws Should Be Banned Worldwide", what is their purpose?
4. Read and identify purpose: "Once upon a time in a whispering willow forest, a mischievous badger lost his silver spectacles."
5. Name two things that should NEVER be included in an objective summary.
6. Explain how context clues help you decipher unfamiliar vocabulary in a passage.
7. Write a 1-sentence main idea for a text explaining how bees pollinate flowers and help crops grow.
8. Summarise why regular exercise is beneficial for children in two concise sentences.

Answer Key

1. Persuade, Inform, Entertain
2. The main idea is the overarching central concept; supporting details are facts that explain or prove that concept
3. To Persuade
4. To Entertain
5. Personal opinions/feelings and unnecessary minor details
6. Context clues (surrounding words, synonyms, explanations) provide hints to deduce the word's meaning
7. Bees play an essential ecological role by pollinating flowers, which enables plants to reproduce and produce food
8. Regular exercise strengthens growing bones and muscles while boosting cardiovascular stamina. It also sharpens mental focus and supports emotional well-being

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