



Home-School Connection

Word Workout

WORDS TO KNOW

absorb altered concentrated
 erode innovations

Back and Forth I'll tell you a definition and you guess the word. Then I'll choose another word and you tell me the definition.

SPELLING WORDS

reins	review	retrieve	belief	niece
freight	foreign	grieve	neither	eighty
siege	shield	sleigh	reign	wield
yield	ceiling	seize	relieve	diesel

Group and Remember Do you think there are more list words that use ie or ei? Let's use a highlighter or red pen to mark all of the words that are spelled with ei. Then let's take turns spelling list words.

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Dear Family Member:

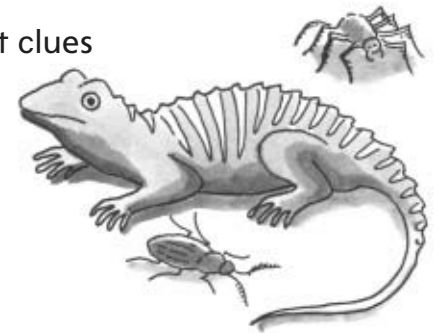
When you read a nonfiction book, you come away with two kinds of information. You learn a big idea about a topic. That's the main thing that the author wants you to know. You also learn a lot of specific details about the topic. This week we're reading a collection of articles about sleep, lifespans, and how product makers come up with innovations. We're learning to recognize the big ideas and details as we read these interesting articles. One of the details even tells about the weird ways that lizards, cockroaches, and spiders can help make our lives better!

This Week's Skills

Comprehension: main idea and details

Vocabulary: definition context clues

Spelling/Phonics: ei and ie

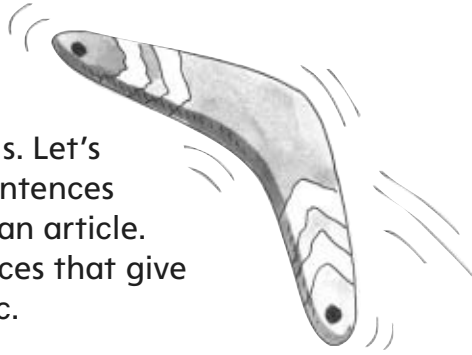


Name _____

Get the Idea

Articles tell more than just a random list of facts. When I read I'm learning to recognize the big ideas and the details that back them up.

There are two topics on this page, but the big ideas are mixed in with the details. Let's see if we can spot which sentences could be the main idea for an article. We'll also find some sentences that give information about the topic.



Boomerangs

Most boomerangs are made of wood.

A boomerang is a curved device that will return to the person who throws it.

Australian Aborigines have used boomerangs for thousands of years.

Today, athletes compete in boomerang throwing contests.

In the world record throw, a boomerang zoomed 781 feet (238 meters) and then came back.

(possible main idea: A boomerang is a curved device that will return to the person who throws it.)



Hot-Air Balloons

The first hot-air balloon took off in France in 1783.

In 1793 a hot-air balloon soared in the United States for the first time.

Hot-air balloons are the oldest successful human flight technology.

They were invented by the Montgolfier Brothers.

(possible main idea: Hot-air balloons are the oldest successful human flight technology.)



Conexión con el hogar

Ejercicio de palabras

PALABRAS DE VOCABULARIO

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De un lado a otro Te daré una definición y tú debes adivinar de qué palabra se trata. Luego escogeré otra palabra y tú deberás darme la definición.

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Agrupar y recordar ¿Hay más palabras en la lista con *ie* o con *ei*? Usa un marcador o un lápiz rojo para subrayar todas las palabras que tengan *ei*. Luego vamos a turnarnos para deletrear las palabras de la lista.

Queridos familiares:

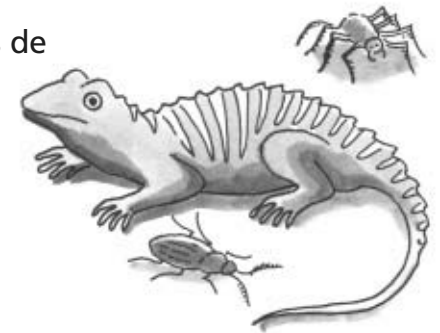
Cuando uno lee un libro que no es de ficción recoge dos tipos de información. Se obtiene una idea importante sobre un tema, que es lo principal que el autor desea comunicar. También se obtienen muchos detalles específicos sobre el tema. Esta semana estamos leyendo una serie de artículos sobre el sueño, la duración de la vida y cómo se les ocurren a los fabricantes las grandes innovaciones. ¡Uno de los detalles incluso nos da información acerca de cómo los lagartos, las cucarachas y las arañas pueden mejorar nuestras vidas!

Destrezas de la semana

Comprensión: idea principal y detalles

Vocabulario: definición claves de contexto

Ortografía/Fonética: palabras con *ei* y *ie*



Nombre _____

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Ésa es la idea

Los artículos nos dan más que una lista casual de datos. Ahora estoy aprendiendo a reconocer las ideas importantes y los detalles que las soportan.

Aquí hay dos temas, pero las ideas importantes están mezcladas con los detalles. Vamos a ver si podemos distinguir qué oraciones son la idea principal de un artículo. También vamos a encontrar oraciones que nos dan información sobre el tema.



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