Determine the Main Idea
Objective

• 3.R.RI.02 I can connect key details to the main idea of the text.
Essential Questions

• What is the main idea? How can you determine the main idea of a text?

• What are supporting details? How are they related to main idea?

• What is expository text? How are main idea and supporting details communicated in different types of expository text?
Vocabulary

• Main idea: what the text is mostly about.

• Supporting details: sentences or ideas that support the main idea.
What is the main idea of this passage?

- Going to the park is a great way to exercise. There are many types of games and activities to do. You can play tag, climb on the jungle gym and run around the track. It is important to stay healthy and you can do that by getting exercise daily.
What are the supporting details?

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Great White Sharks

- Great White Sharks are terrifying creatures! There are more than 100 shark attacks worldwide each year. Their mouths full with 300 sharp and serrated teeth. The Great White Shark can also smell blood over 3 miles away.
Questions...

• What is the main idea of passage “Great White Sharks?”

• Why does the author think Great White Sharks are terrifying?

• What type of passage is “Great White Sharks?”
“Halloween”

- Halloween is a holiday many children and families look forward to each year. Halloween is celebrated in America on October 31st and trick-or-treating is a favorite activity for many children old and young. In Mexico, Dia De Los Muertos is celebrated from October 31st-November 2nd. There are many festivities including “All Souls Days” processions.
Questions...

• What is the main idea of the passage “Halloween?”

• What are 3 supporting details in the passage?

• What type of passage is “Halloween?”
• On your white board, write what is the definition of main idea in 10 words or less.