

GRADE 8

Strong reading skills are the foundation learning!

Is your child struggling with reading comprehension, fluency, or vocabulary?

Brighterly's expert reading tutors make lessons fun, personalized, and effective - whether your child is just starting out or ready to level up their literacy skills.

From phonics to reading confidence, we're here to help your child love reading - and get better at it every day.



Why Learn with Brighterly? ✨



Assessment-Based Learning



Custom Curriculum



Homework Support



Engaging Platform

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 1:

The ocean waves crashed against the shore, their rhythmic sound soothing the travelers who sat on the beach. As the sun dipped lower, the sky turned a brilliant orange and pink, casting a warm glow over the horizon. The peacefulness of the moment made the long journey worthwhile, and everyone felt at peace with nature.

Q1: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** The travelers are feeling tired from their journey.
- B.** The ocean waves are loud and distracting.
- C.** The travelers enjoy the peaceful moment on the beach.
- D.** The sky is the only focus of the passage.

Q2: What is the tone of the passage?

- A.** Tense
- B.** Peaceful
- C.** Angry
- D.** Mysterious

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 2:

Eating healthy foods can make a significant difference in how we feel each day. When we eat nutritious meals, our bodies are able to perform better, our minds are sharper, and our energy levels are higher. Choosing foods like fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and proteins can improve our mood and overall health. By making small changes to our diet, we can experience long-term benefits.

Q3: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** Healthy eating is important for overall well-being.
- B.** Eating fruits and vegetables can improve mood.
- C.** Protein is the most important nutrient.
- D.** Our minds are sharper without any food.

Q4: According to the passage, what can small changes to your diet improve?

- A.** Only energy levels
- B.** Mood and overall health
- C.** Memory retention
- D.** Your ability to sleep

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 3:

In the heart of the city, the annual festival was in full swing. Bright lights illuminated the streets, and the sound of laughter echoed through the air. Food stalls lined the road, offering a variety of delicious treats, from cotton candy to fresh fruit. Families walked hand in hand, enjoying the entertainment and festivities. The event brought the community together, allowing everyone to forget their worries and simply enjoy the moment.

Q5: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** People are worried during the festival.
- B.** The city is quiet and peaceful.
- C.** The festival brings people together to enjoy the festivities.
- D.** The food stalls are the main attraction of the festival.

Q6: Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the passage?

- A.** Bright lights and food stalls
- B.** People forgetting their worries
- C.** Families walking together
- D.** People staying at home

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 4:

The ancient city was once a thriving hub of culture and commerce. Its grand temples, bustling markets, and grand palaces were symbols of wealth and power. But over time, the city slowly began to fade. The once-great empire crumbled, leaving behind ruins and echoes of a past civilization. Today, only historians and archaeologists can truly understand the greatness of the city through the remnants left behind.

Q7: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** The ancient city is still thriving today.
- B.** The city is a place for tourists to visit.
- C.** The city was once great, but now it is in ruins.
- D.** The city's temples and markets are still active.

Q8: According to the passage, what has been left behind from the ancient city?

- A.** Wealth and power
- B.** Grand palaces and temples
- C.** Historians and archaeologists
- D.** Remnants of the civilization

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 5:

The weather forecast predicted a storm, but by the time it arrived, it had weakened considerably. The heavy rains that were expected never came, and only light showers scattered across the city. Despite the initial fear, the storm turned out to be less powerful than anticipated. People returned to their normal routines, thankful that the situation had not worsened.

Q9: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** The storm caused a lot of damage.
- B.** The storm was weaker than expected.
- C.** The storm hit harder than anticipated.
- D.** People ignored the weather forecast.

Q10: What was the reaction of the people after the storm?

- A.** They were scared and stayed indoors.
- B.** They continued with their normal activities.
- C.** They waited for the storm to get worse.
- D.** They waited for the storm to get worse..



✓ Right Answers

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 1:

The ocean waves crashed against the shore, their rhythmic sound soothing the travelers who sat on the beach. As the sun dipped lower, the sky turned a brilliant orange and pink, casting a warm glow over the horizon. The peacefulness of the moment made the long journey worthwhile, and everyone felt at peace with nature.

Q1: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** The travelers are feeling tired from their journey.
- B.** The ocean waves are loud and distracting.
- C.** The travelers enjoy the peaceful moment on the beach.
- D.** The sky is the only focus of the passage.

Answer: C. The travelers enjoy the peaceful moment on the beach.

Q2: What is the tone of the passage?

- A.** Tense
- B.** Peaceful
- C.** Angry
- D.** Mysterious

Answer: B. Peaceful

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 2:

Eating healthy foods can make a significant difference in how we feel each day. When we eat nutritious meals, our bodies are able to perform better, our minds are sharper, and our energy levels are higher. Choosing foods like fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and proteins can improve our mood and overall health. By making small changes to our diet, we can experience long-term benefits.

Q3: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** Healthy eating is important for overall well-being.
- B.** Eating fruits and vegetables can improve mood.
- C.** Protein is the most important nutrient.
- D.** Our minds are sharper without any food.

Answer: A. Healthy eating is important for overall well-being.

Q4: According to the passage, what can small changes to your diet improve?

- A.** Only energy levels
- B.** Mood and overall health
- C.** Memory retention
- D.** Your ability to sleep

Answer: B. Mood and overall health

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 3:

In the heart of the city, the annual festival was in full swing. Bright lights illuminated the streets, and the sound of laughter echoed through the air. Food stalls lined the road, offering a variety of delicious treats, from cotton candy to fresh fruit. Families walked hand in hand, enjoying the entertainment and festivities. The event brought the community together, allowing everyone to forget their worries and simply enjoy the moment.

Q5: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** People are worried during the festival.
- B.** The city is quiet and peaceful.
- C.** The festival brings people together to enjoy the festivities.
- D.** The food stalls are the main attraction of the festival.

Answer: C. The festival brings people together to enjoy the festivities.

Q6: Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the passage?

- A.** Bright lights and food stalls
- B.** People forgetting their worries
- C.** Families walking together
- D.** People staying at home

Answer: D. People staying at home

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 4:

The ancient city was once a thriving hub of culture and commerce. Its grand temples, bustling markets, and grand palaces were symbols of wealth and power. But over time, the city slowly began to fade. The once-great empire crumbled, leaving behind ruins and echoes of a past civilization. Today, only historians and archaeologists can truly understand the greatness of the city through the remnants left behind.

Q7: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** The ancient city is still thriving today.
- B.** The city is a place for tourists to visit.
- C.** The city was once great, but now it is in ruins.
- D.** The city's temples and markets are still active.

Answer: C. The city was once great, but now it is in ruins.

Q8: According to the passage, what has been left behind from the ancient city?

- A.** Wealth and power
- B.** Grand palaces and temples
- C.** Historians and archaeologists
- D.** Remnants of the civilization

Answer: D. Remnants of the civilization

**Instructions:**

Read each passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Focus on identifying the main idea and key details of each passage.

Passage 5:

The weather forecast predicted a storm, but by the time it arrived, it had weakened considerably. The heavy rains that were expected never came, and only light showers scattered across the city. Despite the initial fear, the storm turned out to be less powerful than anticipated. People returned to their normal routines, thankful that the situation had not worsened.

Q9: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A.** The storm caused a lot of damage.
- B.** The storm was weaker than expected.
- C.** The storm hit harder than anticipated.
- D.** People ignored the weather forecast.

Answer: B. The storm was weaker than expected.

Q10: What was the reaction of the people after the storm?

- A.** They were scared and stayed indoors.
- B.** They continued with their normal activities.
- C.** They waited for the storm to get worse.
- D.** They waited for the storm to get worse..

Answer: B. They continued with their normal activities.