Main Idea	Details	
Summary		

Skill: Main Idea and Details / Summarize

Bigger Than a Monster Truck • Level I • 1

**Instructions:** Assign students to one of the sections of the book and ask them to write the main idea and supporting details in the boxes. Then have them use the information they've collected to write a short summary of the section.





- 1 Monster trucks are big vehicles.
- ② Some cranes help people build tall buildings.
- 3 Cranes move heavy things.
- 4 The biggest dump trucks are found at mines.
- (5) The tires on dump trucks are taller than two people.
- 6 Overland trains can be very long.
- 7 Enormous vehicles move space rockets.
- 8 Power shovels have a big bucket that digs up dirt.

**Instructions:** Ask students to circle the adjective(s) in each sentence. Then have them underline the noun(s) the adjective describes.

soil	human	enormous
gigantic	amazing	giant

- 1 This <u>cool</u> machine is a vehicle and a bridge.
- ② Some cranes help build <u>tall</u> buildings.
- ③ Some trucks can move up to 400 tons of <u>dirt</u>.
- 4 Big overland trains haul loads to places without roads.
- (5) The tires are twice as tall as a <u>person</u>.
- 6 This <u>huge</u> vehicle digs mines.

**Instructions:** Ask students to choose a synonym from the word box to replace the underlined word in each sentence.