



# English

## Identifying Irrelevant Ideas In A Passage



## Let Us Learn



Dear Learner,

Hello! How are you today? Are you ready for our activity today? This time we shall read paragraphs and identify further details and ideas.



## Let's Try This

Direction: Identify the sentence that does belong to the paragraph.

1. The grade three class had a picnic in a nearby forest. 2. Some boys took their knives to carve their names on the trees. 3. They wanted to remind the passers-by that the grade three boys had been here once. 4. Josefa tried to stop them but they did not mind her. 5. The trees bent gracefully with the blowing of the wind. 6. The boys laughed at her and continued to carve their names on the trees.

1. What is the main idea of the paragraph?
  - a. The grade three class had a picnic.
  - b. The grade three class had a party.
  - c. The grade three class had a contest.
  
2. Which sentence does not support the idea?
  - a. sentence 3
  - b. sentence 1
  - c. sentence 5

Are your answers same as these?

1. a      2. 5

Well, don't worry if you get wrong answers.  
I will help you understand.



## Let's Study This

A paragraph is a group of sentences. These sentences are related to one another. They tell about the main idea of the paragraph. If a sentence does not tell about the main idea, it is an irrelevant idea.

Read the paragraph.

1. Miko is nine years old. 2. He was awarded by the barangay Captain for his heroic deed. 3 He saved his brothers and sisters from a big fire. 4. Miko is a brave boy. 5. Tomorrow will be his birthday.



What is the paragraph about?

Do all the sentences tell about the main idea?

Which sentences does not tell about it?

The paragraph talks about a brave boy, Miko. It is the main idea. (sentence 4)

Sentence 1, 2 and 3 tell us about him. But sentence 5 tell us about him.

It has nothing to do with being a brave boy. It is called irrelevant idea.

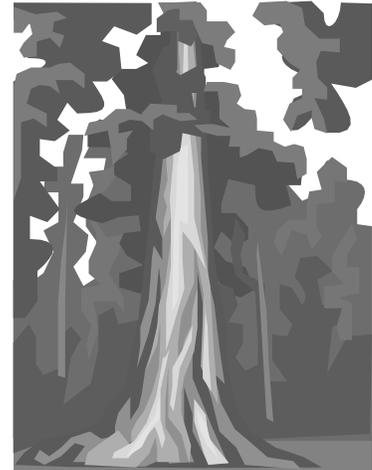
It does not support the main idea.



## Let's Try This

Read the paragraph below.

1. The narra tree is our national tree. 2. It is a tall tree. 3. It is big and strong. The narra tree has small green leaves. 4. It blooms once a year. 5. We have narra trees in our barangay. 6. Narra trees are useful and make our surroundings beautiful.



1. Which sentence is an irrelevant idea?
- sentence 1
  - sentence 5
  - sentence 6

1. God has given us many wonderful things. 2. He has given us water and trees. 3. He has given us fish and animals. 4. He has given us mountains, rivers and seas. 5. Some people have killed fish and animals through their bad habits.



2. The irrelevant idea is.
- sentence 1
  - sentence 4
  - sentence 5

1. Thank you God for my eyes and feet. 2. For the plants, trees and food I eat. 3. Thank you for my parents too. 4. Till the sun shine no more.



3. The irrelevant idea is.
- sentence 3
  - sentence 2
  - sentence 4

1. Be on time rain or shine.
2. In your work and in your play.
3. Save while you may.
4. You'll be prompt helpers every day.

4. The irrelevant idea is.
- a. sentence 1
  - b. sentence 4
  - c. sentence 3

1. Speak not when others speak.
2. Be thrifty and be wise.
3. Sit not when others stand.
4. Speak no evil of anyone.

5. The irrelevant idea is.
- a. sentence 4
  - b. sentence 2
  - c. sentence 3

Are you done?  
Check your answers against the "Check Yourself"

What's your score?

Before we will answer the next activity



Think what is an irrelevant idea?



Remember this:

An irrelevant idea is an idea which does not tell about the main idea of the paragraph.



**Let's Do This Again**

1.) 1. Mother's favorite flower is the Sampaguita. 2. Its petals are white and lovely. 3. We water our Sampaguita plants every morning. 4. It is a fragrant flower.

Which is the irrelevant idea?

- a. sentence 1
- b. sentence 4
- c. sentence 3

2.) 1. Every year, typhoons cause a lot of damage to life and property. 2. They destroy crops and uproot trees. 3. They destroy our houses. 4. There are lots of rivers, lakes and seas in our country. 5. Typhoons even cause death to people and animals.

The irrelevant sentence is \_\_\_\_.

- a. sentence 5
- b. sentence 4
- c. sentence 1

Are you done?

Check your answers now.

What's your score?

This time you are now ready to answer the final test.



## Test Yourself

Read the paragraph below and circle the irrelevant idea in each of the paragraphs.

1. 1. Every animal has its own way of protecting itself. 2. A cat has sharp claws to scratch enemy. 3. A lion has big sharp teeth. 4. Whales live in water. 5. A dog has a painful deadly. 6. A bee has a sharp sting.



- a. sentence 2                      b. sentence 4                      c. sentence 6

2. 1. A zoo is an animal garden. 2. It is a place where live animals are kept and taken care of. 3. Many kinds of mammals, birds, reptiles, fish, tortoise and frogs may be seen in a zoo. 4. Crabs, shrimps and oysters are not really fish at all.



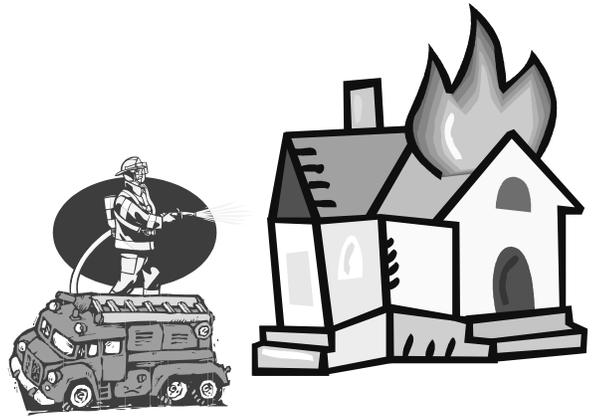
- a. sentence 1                      b. sentence 4                      c. sentence 3

3. 1. Red, orange and yellow. 2. Green, violet and blue. 3. Look at the pretty rainbow. 4. God hung it for you. 5. Two new balloons: red and blue.



- a. sentence 1                      b. sentence 3                      c. sentence 5

4. 1. Flames were shooting up. 2. Smoke was filling air. 3. Sirens were blowing. 4. People were running carrying bundles. 5. On the front wall is a big family picture. 6. Firemen were holding big hoses and fixing them at the house.



a. sentence 4

b. sentence 5

c. sentence 6

5. 1. Books are friends. 2. They teach you many things. 3. They bring you to far places. 4. There are many books in the library. 5. Books give you treasure.



a. sentence 1

b. sentence 3

c. sentence 4

Are you done?  
Check your answers now.

What's your score?

Congratulations!



You are now ready for the next module.

# Check Yourself



## Let's Try This

- 1. b
- 2. c
- 3. c
- 4. c
- 5. b



## Let's Do This Again

- 1. c
- 2. b



## Test Yourself

- 1. b
- 2. b
- 3. c
- 4. b
- 5. c