

## Worksheet 1

# Lesson 25 • The Ant and the Dove

Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Finding the Main Idea and Supporting Details

The main idea of a text is its key point. It sums up what the text is about.

Details in the text can help us identify the main idea.

### Read the passage.

Circle

adjectives that  
describe the  
water

Box

actions of  
the dove

A thirsty ant came to the edge of a river to get a drink. The fast-moving water splashed the ant and knocked it into the river. The ant was in trouble! It tried to swim but it was drowning.

A dove sitting in a tree picked a leaf and dropped it in the river, near the ant. The ant climbed onto the leaf and floated to safety on the bank of the river.

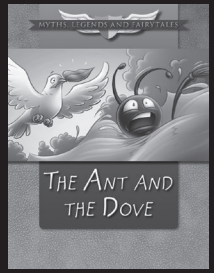
Underline

verbs about  
water

### Colour the correct answer/s for each question.

- 1 Which **best** describes the main idea of the text?  
☐ A dove saved an ant. ☐ An ant fell in the water.  
☐ An ant was thirsty. ☐ A dove was flying by the river.
- 2 Which **two ideas support** the **main idea**?  
☐ The water was moving quickly. ☐ Ants aren't good swimmers.  
☐ The ant fell in the river. ☐ The leaf floated to safety.  
☐ A dove sat up high in a tree.
- 3 Which **best** describes the dove's actions?  
☐ excited ☐ kind ☐ worried ☐ angry

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the actions  
the hunter

Box

the actions  
of the dove

A little while later, a hunter came to the edge of the river. He saw the dove sitting in the tree and quickly drew his bow and aimed at the resting bird. The ant saw what was about to happen. It ran over to the hunter and bit his toe as hard as he could. The hunter cried out and dropped his bow, and the dove was startled and flew away to safety.

Underlinethe actions  
of the ant

1 What is the **main idea**? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2 Which **two details** helped you find the **main idea**?

a \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

b \_\_\_\_\_

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