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READING

Power Up: Reading ACT Prep, Week 2

Finding Main Ideas and Supporting Details

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Essential Question

How can I increase my ACT score?

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Learning Objectives

- Identify the genre, type, and purpose of a reading passage.

- Identify the main idea, supporting details, and evidence of a text.

Always, Sometimes, or Never True

The ACT reading test is divided into four passages.

Always True

- There will **always** be four reading passages.
- The test is 35 minutes.
- There are 40 questions.

Always, Sometimes, or Never True

The reading portion of the ACT asks questions about the reading passage as a whole.

Sometimes True

- Questions on the reading section will be about the passage as a whole as well as about specific portions of the passage.

Always, Sometimes, or Never True

Before each passage, the ACT will give you the author's name, the source of the passage, and important details about the passage.

Sometimes True

- The ACT always gives the author's name and the source but only sometimes gives important information about the passage.
- Make sure to always read this information just in case there is helpful information for answering the questions.

Great Depression Passage: Genres

- Review the information provided at the top of the passage.
- Is the passage:
  - Fiction 🖐
  - Nonfiction 🤟

Great Depression Passage: Types of Passage

Is the passage a:

- Literary Narrative 🖐
- Social Science 🖐
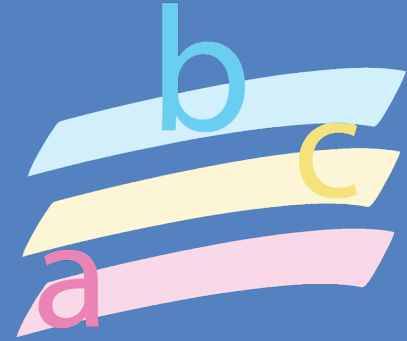- Humanities 🖐
- Natural Science 🖐

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Great Depression Passage: Purpose

Is the purpose of the passage to:

- Persuade
- Inform
- Entertain

Great Depression Passage: Identifying

- Read the passage and highlight in different colors:
  - The **main idea** of the passage
  - **Supporting details** of the passage
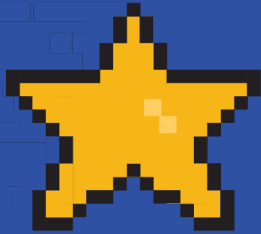 - **Evidence** that supports the details

Great Depression Passage Questions

- Answer the ACT-style questions about the passage.
- Refer back to the reading passage to answer the questions.

Great Depression Passage Answers

1. B
2. E
3. C
4. G
5. A

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