Objective
The student will identify main idea and supporting details in text.

Materials
- Expository text
  *Choose text within students' instructional-independent reading level range or teacher read-aloud.*
- Student sheet (Activity Master C.016.SS1a - C.016.SS1b)
- Brad
  *Attach wheels with brad.*
- Crayons or markers
- Pencil

Activity
Students write or illustrate the main idea and three supporting details on a text wheel.
1. Place text and crayons on a flat surface. Provide the student with the text wheel.
2. The student reads the text or reviews the teacher read-aloud.
3. Writes the title and author on the front of the wheel.
4. Turns the wheel so that the main idea section is showing. Identifies and writes or illustrates the main idea.
5. Turns the wheel to one of the supporting detail sections. Identifies and writes or illustrates a supporting detail.
6. Continues until each section on wheel is complete.
7. Teacher evaluation

Extensions and Adaptations
- Use another graphic organizer to record main idea and details (Activity Master C.016.SS2).
Expository Text Wheel

Main Idea

Supporting Detail

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