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Main Idea in One Sentence

Read each paragraph. In the boxes below, write one sentence to summarize what you have read.

1.) Today was Career Day at my school, and there were so many parents that showed up! John's dad owns a grocery store with his mother; while his father works behind the counter, his mother works as a cashier. Annie's mom is a professional baker and makes tall wedding cakes. Tommy's dad is a carpenter and makes tables and chairs for people's homes. My mom also came; she is a dress-maker.

Summarize the paragraph into one main sentence.

2.) Are you planning a vacation? There are a few things to know before buying a plane ticket. Many say that the best day to purchase a plane ticket is on Tuesday since the airline companies post their best prices on that day. It is also cheaper to purchase a plane ticket for a flight that has at least one stop, instead of a nonstop flight. This is because less people prefer a one-stop flight.

Summarize the paragraph into one main sentence.

3.) While it is typical for siblings to be close, there are many things that you may not know about twins. Many people assume that identical twins have the same fingerprints, but that is not the case. Twins are also not always born just minutes or hours apart; miraculously, some of them can be born a few weeks apart! And in a lot of cases, twins can come up with their own language to communicate with one another.

Summarize the paragraph into one main sentence.

4.) The movie *Jaws* from 1975 was directed by Steven Spielberg. If you have not seen it, *Jaws* is about a shark that terrorizes beach-goers, and sometimes attacks. After the movie came out, there were many people who refused to go in the ocean because they were so scared that they, too, would be bitten by a shark. It took a while before people began to trust being in the water.

Summarize the paragraph into one main sentence.