Finding the Main Idea

The Storm

The rain began early in the morning. It fell as hard drops, one after another. The sky was full of dark purple clouds. Thunder began as a soft rumble and became louder and louder. Lightning crashed every few minutes, making the sky a brilliant white.

What is the main idea? Circle the correct answer.

A. The farms needed the rain.
B. The thunder hurt the people’s ears.
C. Lightning made the sky bright.
D. The storm was very strong.

Write three details in the story in the boxes.

Actual answers and wording will vary. Example of correct answers:

1. The clouds were dark purple.
2. Thunder became louder and louder.
3. The raindrops fell one after another.