Informative Topic Sentences

Grade 3 Writing Worksheet

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Circle the answer, or write your answer on the lines.

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   The ocean covers most of Earth.
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   Planting seeds is my favorite spring job.
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   Seeds move to new places in many surprising ways.
   Flowers come in many bright colors.

4. Which sentence is the best topic sentence for a paragraph that teaches facts about penguins?
   I am going to tell you about penguins.
   Emperor penguins can be four feet tall.
   Penguins are the cutest birds at the zoo.
   Penguins are birds that are built for life in cold water.

5. Read the facts. Write a topic sentence that fits all of them. Then add one more fact.
   Facts: Polar bears have thick fur. They have a layer of fat. Their wide paws help them walk on ice.

   Topic sentence _____

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   One more fact _____

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