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MAIN IDEA: 🐾
Working Dogs

The **main idea** of a text tells what the text is mostly about. **Supporting details** are the sentences that support the main idea.

An avalanche rescue dog in training.

Part 1: Read the paragraph below.

Working dogs are animals that have a job. These animals are trained to help people. They protect people. They make life easier. Some dogs work with police officers. They help them find criminals or weapons. Other dogs also help find people. They are called search and rescue dogs. They are trained to find missing people when there is a disaster, like a flood, avalanche, or tornado. Other dogs act as eyes for people with visual impairments. Some dogs act as ears for people with hearing impairments. Service dogs can also be helpers for people who are physically challenged. Dogs become working dogs when they are specially trained to help and protect people.

Part 2: Complete the graphic organizer by choosing the best main idea and supporting details from the sentences below. Some choices will not be used.

Main Idea: _____

Supporting Ideas:

1. _____
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2. _____
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3. _____
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a. A police dog assists police in finding criminals and weapons.

b. Working dogs must be puppies.

c. A dog can help people with visual impairments by acting as their eyes.

d. Working dogs are trained dogs that help people.

e. Some dogs help people with hearing impairments by acting as their ears.

f. A dog should be fed and loved if it is going to be helpful.