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Main Idea

Directions: The main idea of a paragraph tells the reader what the paragraph's message is. The details support the main idea. Use the table diagram below to record the main idea of a paragraph from a nonfiction text. First write the supporting details on the table's legs to help support the main idea.

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