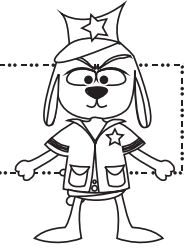


# MAIN IDEA: WORKING DOGS

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



**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 blind people. Some dogs act as ears for the hearing impaired. 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. Some choices will not be used.

## Answer Key

**Main Idea:** Working dogs are trained dogs that help people.

### Supporting Details:

- Some dogs help hearing impaired people by acting as his ears.
- A police dog assists police in finding criminals and weapons.
- A dog can help a blind person by acting as his eyes.

- a. A police dog assists police in finding criminals and weapons.
- ~~b. Working dogs must be puppies.~~
- c. A dog can help a blind person by acting as his eyes.
- d. Working dogs are trained dogs that help people.
- e. Some dogs help hearing impaired people by acting as his ears.
- ~~f. A dog should be fed and loved if it is going to be helpful.~~

