Main Idea and Key Details

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

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1. Her teacher says her playing is getting better.
   Her brother is her teacher.
   She plays the drums.
   She practices only once a month.

Volcanoes

Volcanoes are mountains with an opening at the top. Melted rock called lava can flow out of the opening. Ash and gas shoot into the air. After lava cools, it becomes hard rock.

2. Lava is cold water.
   Every mountain has lava inside.
   Melted rock called lava can flow out of the opening.
   Volcanoes are made of ice.

Penguins

Penguins are birds that cannot fly. They use their wings to swim fast in the sea. Their feathers keep them warm and dry. They eat fish and krill.

3. Penguins live in the desert.
   Penguins fly south each winter.
   Penguins eat only grass.
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Recycling

Recycling helps keep the earth clean. Paper, cans and glass can be made into new things. Old newspapers become paper towels. Recycled cans can be melted and made into new cans.

4. Recycling uses more trash.
   Recycled cans can be melted into new cans.
   Only plastic can be recycled.
   Glass cannot be reused.

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