Main Idea and Supporting Details

Grade 4 Reading Worksheet - Challenge Me

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Read the text. Circle the answer to each question.

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4. What is the main idea of paragraph 2?
   Guide dogs lead. Dogs chase balls. Dogs visit schools. Hearing dogs alert.

5. Which detail supports the main idea of paragraph 2?
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   Dogs like treats. Hearing dogs alert. Guide dogs lead. Dogs bring comfort.

7. Which detail supports the main idea of paragraph 3?
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8. Which detail does not belong in this text?
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