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Finding the Main Idea and Supporting Details Answer Key

1. **What is the main idea of the first paragraph?**
 - Recycling helps protect the environment by reducing waste and saving energy.
2. **List three supporting details from the first paragraph:**
 - Recycled items are turned into new products.
 - It reduces pollution and saves space in landfills.
 - Recycling saves energy (e.g., aluminum cans).
3. **What is the main idea of the second paragraph?**
 - Reusing items is another way to help the environment and reduce waste.
4. **What is one way reusing items helps the environment?**
 - It reduces the need to make new items, which saves resources.
5. **How are recycling and reusing similar?**
 - Both reduce waste and help save energy and resources.
6. **What are two examples of items that can be reused?**
 - Jars and bags.
7. **Why do you think schools and cities encourage recycling?**
 - To make it easier for people to help the environment and reduce waste.