

Main Idea: Libraries

Directions: Read the passage carefully.

1. Circle or underline any words or phrases that seem especially important.
2. Decide what the *entire* passage is mostly about (not just one part) and write your answer in one clear sentence.
3. Then, list two supporting details from the passage that helped you figure out the main idea.

The Library's Secret Power

When most people think of a library, they imagine shelves filled with dusty books. Yet today's libraries are much more than storage spaces for reading materials. Many libraries offer free internet access, giving opportunities to people who do not have computers at home. Others run job-search workshops, host story hours for children, and even loan out musical instruments or science kits. In some towns, the library is also a cooling or warming center during extreme weather. These changes show that libraries adapt to meet the needs of the community. While books remain central, modern libraries have become hubs of learning, support, and connection for everyone.



1. What is the main idea of the passage?

2. List two supporting details that back up the main idea.

3. Why do you think libraries have changed their role over time?
