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True Core Idea Answer Key

1. **True** - This captures the passage's main idea (volcanoes as powerful forces).
2. **False** - This is a supporting example of how volcanoes form land.
3. **False** - This is a detail showing scientists' role.
4. **False** - This is a specific detail about volcanic danger.
5. **True** - This also reflects the central idea: volcanoes shape Earth and provide benefits despite risks.

Teacher Notes / Guide

- Emphasize that a **central idea** covers the whole passage, not just one sentence or fact.
- Correct answers may include more than one TRUE, because passages often express the central idea in more than one way (e.g., statements 1 and 5).
- Discuss with students how details (examples, facts, effects) serve to **support** and illustrate the broader central idea.