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Main Idea Headlines Answer Key

Sample Headlines

1. "Vacant Lot Transformed into Community Garden"
2. "Jefferson Middle School Starts First Robotics Team"
3. "Storm Knocks Out Power in Bayview"

Teacher Notes / Guide

- Accept headlines that are **short, clear, and capture the main idea**; wording may vary.
- Headlines should avoid unnecessary details (e.g., exact times, names, or numbers unless they define the story).
- Encourage students to compare their headlines with actual news headlines to see how journalists summarize central ideas quickly.
- Extension activity: Have students **swap excerpts** and critique each other's headlines for clarity and accuracy.