

## Main Idea: Libraries Answer Key

### 1. Main Idea:

Modern libraries are more than book collections; they are community centers that provide resources, programs, and support.

### 2. Supporting Details:

- Libraries provide free internet access for those without home computers.
- They host workshops, story hours, and even lend out items like musical instruments or science kits.
- In some towns, libraries serve as safe centers during extreme weather.

### 3. Teacher Notes / Guide:

Students may answer in different ways, but their responses should show that libraries *expanded their role to serve community needs*. Accept answers that reference changes in society, technology, or community demands (e.g., "because people need more than books," "because communities rely on libraries for other services," "because they are adapting to new times").