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Controlling Idea Hunt

Directions: Read each topic sentence. Underline the **controlling idea** and write one sentence explaining what the writer will likely focus on.

1. Topic sentence: **Community gardens offer many benefits to neighborhoods.**

Explanation: _____

2. Topic sentence: **Online learning requires strong habits to stay organized.**

Explanation: _____

3. Topic sentence: **Different bird species use unique methods to build their nests.**

Explanation: _____

4. Topic sentence: **Public libraries provide important services for people of all ages.**

Explanation: _____

5. Topic sentence: **Volunteering at local events helps students develop valuable skills.**

Explanation: _____