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Write two supporting ideas for the main idea.

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2. _____

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Actual wording and supporting ideas will vary. Example of correct answers:

Write the main idea of the paragraph in your own words.

A dolphin is a mammal.

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1. **A dolphin breathes oxygen.**

2. **A dolphin mother feeds her baby milk.**
