

Main Idea Graphic Organizer

Subject

The life of a coal miner

What the author says about the subject

Detail 1

You had to
quit school

Detail 2

You worked
long days in
darkness

Detail 3

You earned
little money

Detail 4

Although the
work was
dangerous, your
employer was
not responsible
for working
conditions

Main Idea

Because of working conditions in coal mines, labor reform was badly needed.