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Reading and Thinking

The main idea of a story is the central point the author is trying to make. Main idea is different from a topic, which is what the story is about. (One topic in *A Tale of Two Cities*, for instance, is the French Revolution.)

Directions: Fill in this organizer to explore the main idea of *A Tale of Two Cities*, which should help you achieve a better understanding of the story.

A Tale of Two Cities

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MAIN IDEA

The main idea of *A Tale of Two Cities* is _____

Here are three details that support the main idea:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

