

Writing a Summary

A summary is a short overview of the main points of an article.

Identify Main Idea

What is the main idea of the article? (1-2 sentences)

Circle the three most important words from above and write them below

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Important Details / Textual Evidence

Write down names of important people, places, and ideas/words that reoccur throughout the text

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Summarize the main points from the article (1-2 sentences)

Use your three words and the most important details from the text

Key Ideas and Details

RI.2 Anchor Standard

Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.