



## Summary Thought Question

Criteria:	5 points	4 points	3 points	2 points
<b>Purpose for Writing</b>  <i>Is your paragraph a summary of the news story?</i>	Your paragraph is a clear summary of the news story.	Your paragraph is mostly a summary of the news story.	Your paragraph should tell more about the news story.	Your paragraph should tell about the news story.
<b>Organization</b>  <i>Does your paragraph have a clear beginning, middle, and end?</i>	Your paragraph has a clear beginning, middle, and end.	Your beginning, middle, and end are mostly clear.	Your writing must be clearer. It might be missing the beginning, middle, or end.	You need a clear beginning, middle, and end.
<b>Details</b>  <i>Do you use only important details in your summary? Do you use your own words?</i>	You only use important details. You use your own words.	You mostly use important details. You mostly use your own words.	You give too many details, or not enough details for a good summary. You must use your own words more.	You must give a summary. It should not have too many or too few details. You must use your own words.
<b>Sentence Structure and Style</b>  <i>Is your writing clear? Do you use different kinds of sentences? Do you use words to join your ideas together?</i>	Your writing is clear and you use different kinds of sentences. You use words to join your ideas together.	Your writing is mostly clear. You use more than one kind of sentence. You often use words to join your ideas together.	Your writing is sometimes clear. You mostly use one kind of sentence. You sometimes use words to join your ideas together.	Your writing needs to be clear so that it is easy to follow. You should use different kinds of sentences. You need to use words to join your ideas together.

<b>Mechanics</b>  <i><b>Did you check your spelling, punctuation, and capitalization? Did you look for other mistakes?</b></i>	You have no spelling, punctuation, or capitalization errors. You have no other mistakes.	You have very few spelling, punctuation, and/or capitalization mistakes. You have few other mistakes.	You have some spelling, punctuation, and/or capitalization mistakes. You have some other mistakes.	You have many spelling, punctuation, and/or capitalization mistakes. You have many other mistakes.
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