

Single-Paragraph Summary Template

Expository Writing

These are JUST sentence starters. You will need to add additional sentences!

Identifying Topic	The article/website/movie/chapter titled “ _____ by _____...	<input type="checkbox"/> examines <input type="checkbox"/> explores <input type="checkbox"/> introduces <input type="checkbox"/> supports <input type="checkbox"/> explains	<input type="checkbox"/> the idea of... <input type="checkbox"/> the relationship between... <input type="checkbox"/> the importance of... <input type="checkbox"/> the reasons for... <input type="checkbox"/> the argument that...	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> (main idea/argument of text)
Introducing Content	The article/website/movie/chapter uses/cites/presents...	<input type="checkbox"/> facts <input type="checkbox"/> examples <input type="checkbox"/> information <input type="checkbox"/> expert opinion <input type="checkbox"/> anecdotes <input type="checkbox"/> statistics	<input type="checkbox"/> to explain <input type="checkbox"/> to discuss <input type="checkbox"/> to describe <input type="checkbox"/> to support <input type="checkbox"/> to illustrate	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
Including Key Details	Another important idea from the article/website/movie/chapter...	<input type="checkbox"/> illustrates that... <input type="checkbox"/> indicates that... <input type="checkbox"/> explains why... <input type="checkbox"/> discusses the...	<input type="checkbox"/> points out that... <input type="checkbox"/> shows that... <input type="checkbox"/> emphasizes that...	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
Include a quote	The author states that.....	This shows/illustrates that...		
Including Another Key Detail	Give a specific key detail from the text. Make sure to paraphrase. _____ _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Is a key detail <input type="checkbox"/> Is important evidence <input type="checkbox"/> Is a powerful example <input type="checkbox"/> Is essential information	<input type="checkbox"/> that illustrates... <input type="checkbox"/> that explains... <input type="checkbox"/> that proves... <input type="checkbox"/> that supports... <input type="checkbox"/> because...	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
Conclusion	The examples/evidence/details/ information/ ideas found in the article/chapter/website/movie	<input type="checkbox"/> support <input type="checkbox"/> confirm <input type="checkbox"/> clarify <input type="checkbox"/> reinforce <input type="checkbox"/> emphasize <input type="checkbox"/> validate	<input type="checkbox"/> the value of... <input type="checkbox"/> the need for... <input type="checkbox"/> the relationship between... <input type="checkbox"/> the causes of... <input type="checkbox"/> the importance of... <input type="checkbox"/> the argument for...	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>