Objective
The student will summarize expository text.

Materials

- Expository text
  *Choose text within students’ instructional-independent reading level range.*
- Student sheet
- Pencil

Activity

Students write a summary of expository text by using the main ideas.

1. Provide the student with a copy of the text and a student sheet.
2. The student reads or reviews the entire text.
3. Goes back to the beginning of the text and rereads one or two paragraphs (depending on the size and amount of information) and records the main idea(s).
4. Continues to reread the text and record main ideas. Note: May or may not use all the main idea boxes or may add another student sheet.
5. Reviews recorded information and writes a summary of the entire text.
6. Teacher evaluation

Extensions and Adaptations

- Discuss text with a partner and write a summary together.
- Use other graphic organizers to record main ideas and summary.
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Super Summary

Topic: ________________________________

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