

TIPS: Summarizing Formative Assessment
Nonfiction Summarizing

Choose three paragraphs from the reading passage your teacher has selected and answer the following questions or respond to the following prompts:

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Write a summary of the entire passage.

How does summarizing better help you to better understand this text?

4. Identifies multiple key ideas/events important in overall text meaning. Explains how/why these were selected and ties them together into an accumulation of what is most important in the text. Explains who summarizing enhances comprehension.
3. Identifies at least one important key point and explains how the key point was determined by citing techniques and /or text structure.
2. Identifies part of the important information, or lists details without explanation.
1. Guesses randomly, inaccurately identifying important information.
0. Unable to identify important information from the text