



**Topic**  
Summary Writing

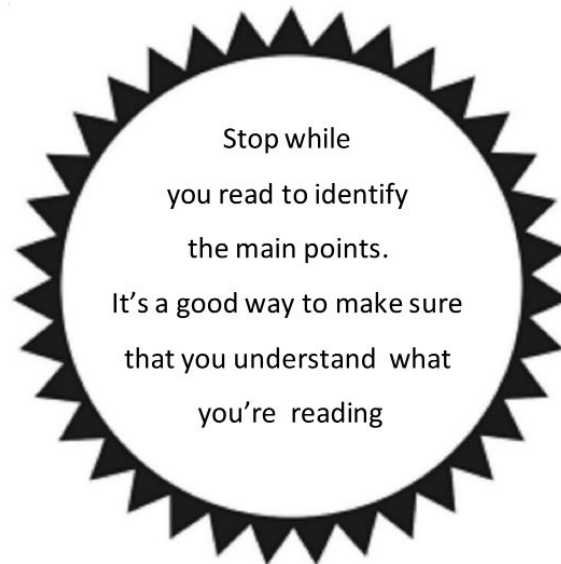


**Class**  
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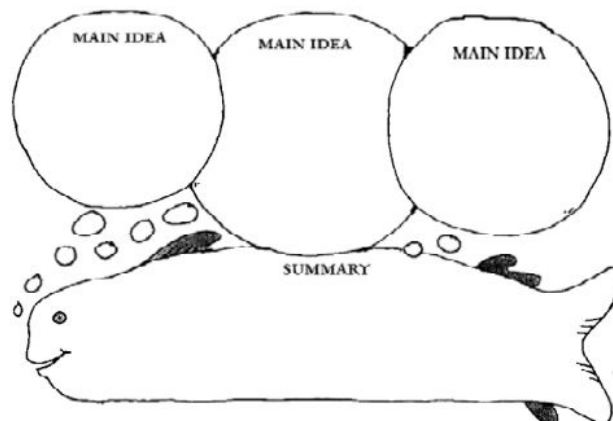
**Approach**  
Read, Comprehend, Try,  
Check, Ask

## Read and Understand:



### ***Summarize***

*Write the main ideas of the paragraphs in 'Boys invention solves fishy problem'.  
Then use the main ideas to write a summary of the article.*



**Directions:** In the following sentences a word from the list in the box can be used instead of the phrase underlined.

golden	trade	difficult	free
people	lengthen	softly	suddenly
uncertain	doctor	shallow	parallel

- a) Please **increase the length of** this rope. \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Riding a bicycle along a very narrow path is **not an easy thing to do.** \_\_\_\_\_
- c) The accident happened **very quickly** when nobody was thinking about an accident. \_\_\_\_\_
- d) **All the men and women; boys and girls and little children** in this city gathered to see the garden. \_\_\_\_\_
- e) When a man is a prisoner, he wishes to be **able to go wherever he likes and do whatever he likes without having to obey rules.** \_\_\_\_\_
- f) In this market place there is a great deal of **buying things and selling things** among merchants. \_\_\_\_\_
- g) The dog jumped into the river where the water was **not very deep.** \_\_\_\_\_
- h) Our teacher told us that the lines he drew on the blackboard were **two straight lines.** \_\_\_\_\_

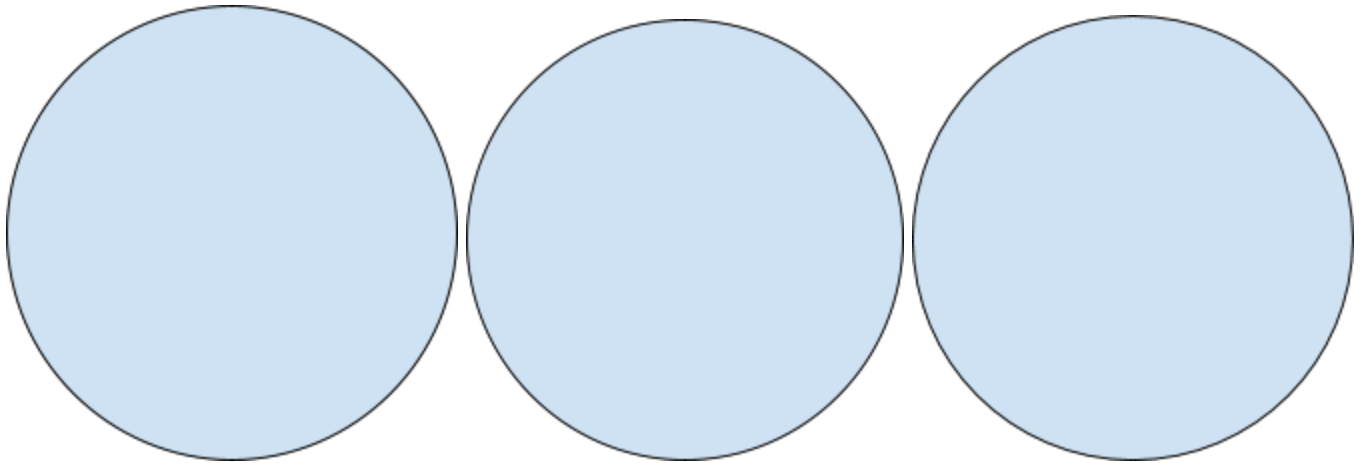
**Directions:** Read the following passage and write its summary.

Chocolate is a very popular food item for people of all age-groups.(1) In spite of not being an important ingredient of our daily diet, it is a favorite of many.(2) I especially love the way they melt inside the mouth.(3) I am sure many will feel quite depressed if the supply of chocolates is suspended suddenly for some reason. (4) The most important ingredient for making chocolates is the seed of the cacao tree.(5) These trees grow only in tropical countries. (6) The Mayans and Aztecs of Central America first cultivated it nearly 2500 years ago.(7) They used the seed of cacao for making a bitter flavored drink without adding sugar. (8) It has been recorded by Spanish explorers in the early 16th century that the Aztec emperor Montezuma liked this drink very much.(9) However, sugar is used with the present version of chocolates to sweeten it.(10) People who can't remain without eating chocolates are known as chocoholics.(11) The number of chocoholics in the world is pretty huge with a great many of them living in Europe.(12) Switzerland and Austria, the countries with the highest number of chocoholics, have an amazing annual average consumption of chocolates of 10 kilos per person.(13) Countries like Britain and Ireland are also not much behind this record.(14) **(212 Words)**

**Let's try writing the summary of the above passage:**

1. List the main points and **avoid** the supporting statements.
2. Try **replacing** phrases with words.
3. Most Importantly: Don't Miss Giving a **TITLE to the Summary**

**Main Points:**



**Answer:(Title and Summary)**

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**KEY:**

**Directions:** In the following sentences a word from the list in the box can be used instead of the phrase underlined.

a. lengthen   b. difficult   c. suddenly   d. people   e. free   f. trade   g. shallow   h. parallel

**Directions:** Read the following passage and write its summary.

**The main points of the passage are:**

**Sentence 1:** Chocolate is a very popular food item for people of all age groups- tells you about the theme of the passage, hence it is the topic sentence.

Sentences 2,3, and 4 support the claim made through this topic sentence.

**Sentence 5:** The most important ingredient for making chocolates is the seed of the cacao tree-is another important point.

Sentences 6,7,8 and 9 support this sentence.

*You can also pick one more point from:*

**Sentence 8:** They used the seed of cacao for making a bitter chocolate-flavored drink without adding sugar. In this sentence , the information that ancient people never used sugar while using cacao seeds as food is important information.

**Sentence 10:** However, sugar is used with the present version of chocolates to sweeten it- is also an important point.

**Sentence 11:** People who can't remain without eating chocolates are known as chocoholics-also gives you important information.

*You can take some information from*

Sentences 13 and 14, such as: **i)** Switzerland and Austria have the highest number of chocoholics.

**ii)** Britain and Ireland have a considerable number of chocoholics too.

**SUMMARY:**

**Chocolates- Popular Food**

People of all age groups love to eat chocolates for its sweet melt in the mouth. Chocolates are made from the seeds of the cacao tree that grows only in tropical countries. In ancient times, sugar was not used in the drink made from cacao seeds, but it is now used to sweeten the chocolate. People who cannot resist eating chocolates are called chocoholics. Switzerland and Austria have the largest number of chocoholics with Britain and Ireland following them closely.

**(79 words)**

**To Note:**

- The original passage has 212 words while the summary has only 79 words.
- Only the main points are paraphrased and the supporting statements are not included.
- The summary- writer's opinion is not given anywhere in the summary.

**ASK:** If you are still in doubt, please reach out to your teacher and get your doubt cleared for better understanding.