

Summarize

Apply In:

- Leveled Book: *Who Was Martin Luther King, Jr.?*

1 Reteach

Display, and then read aloud this narrative grocery list:

- ▶ I'm going to buy groceries today. I will buy some big, juicy strawberries. I'll buy a carton of milk. I love milk! I'll buy two cucumbers. Oh, and I almost forgot. I need three ripe, red tomatoes to put in a salad with the cucumbers.

Say: Imagine that you took this paragraph to the store as your grocery list. Would it be easy to read? How can we say it in a short way? Discuss students' responses.

Explain: **When we use only the most important ideas, we make a summary.** Help students identify and list the most important ideas.



State and write a summary sentence: **I need to buy strawberries, milk, cucumbers, and tomatoes.** Then write this information under the summary sentence: *A summary tells only the most important ideas.*

2 Practice with a Partner

Have students take turns telling each other how they came to school today. Each partner can list, then summarize the most important ideas in the other's narrative.

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3 Apply

Distribute copies of the **Summarize Bookmark**. Explain that students should refer to the Bookmark as they read. Have students summarize the ideas in the book. Use the **Multi-Level Strategies** to support them.

INTERMEDIATE

Present details and ask if they should be part of the summary. For example: **Martin Luther King, Jr.'s, children were named Yolanda, Martin, Dexter, and Bernice. Should this be in the summary?**

ADVANCED

Have students summarize the book by writing a blurb for the back cover. Remind them to include only the most important ideas. When they finish, have students share their blurbs.

Record students' ideas in a bulleted list.

Most Important Events
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Martin Luther King, Jr., grew up in the South, where black people and white people were not treated equally.••

Have students use the list to summarize the selection.

CLOSE AND ASSESS

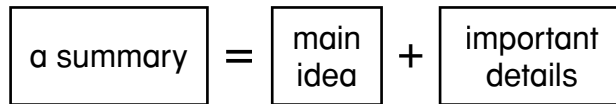
Have students explain how to summarize. (tell only the most important ideas)

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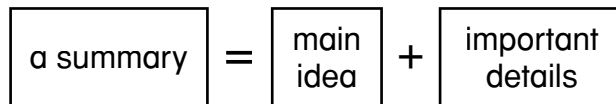


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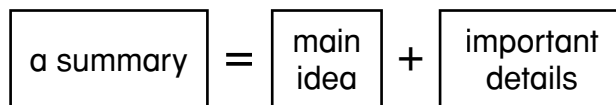


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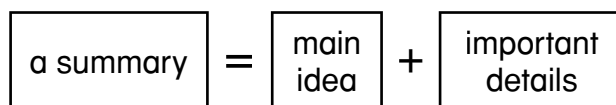


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