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READ AND REACT

After reading an article, it is important to consider its central ideas and your personal reaction to the information. Writing a summary and reaction can help you carefully analyze what you learned and what it made you think or feel. Follow the steps below to write a summary and reaction to a *Science World* article.

STEP 1: Summarize the article.

The first part of your response should include a short summary of the article. It should include facts, not your opinion, about the topic. It should list the article’s title, author, and date, as well as describe the article’s central ideas. Record the key information to include in your summary below.

Title: _____

Author: _____ Article Date: _____

Article’s Central Ideas and Supporting Information: _____

STEP 2: Explain your reaction.

The second part of your response should explain your reaction to the article in *Science World*. When determining what to write, it can be helpful to consider the following questions:

- What emotions did you feel when reading the article? Why?
- What information in the article surprised, upset, or intrigued you? Why?
- Did the article make you aware of something new or change your previous understanding of something? How?

Decide what you want to focus your reaction on. After writing an introductory sentence that describes your reaction, you should include several details about why you reacted that way. These details may include personal examples or information from the text.

Introductory Sentence: _____

Supporting Details: _____

STEP 3: Write and edit your response.

Write or type your response using the information you collected in steps 1 and 2. Reread your response. Is your summary clear? Is your reaction clear? Did you include supporting details? Edit your response to make improvements.