

## Writing a Summary

On the OSSLT students must write a summary based on an article on the test. They must include the main idea of the article, and one point that supports it. Students are expected to write a summary that is approximately six lines. This is one of many short writing tasks on the OSSLT.

### Tips for Writing a Summary:

- Identify the main idea of the article you are summarizing- Use the title for help
- Write your answer using this format: Write an introduction that includes the main idea. Choose at least one supporting detail and write a sentence about it. Then write at least one more sentence that expands the supporting detail (“for example...”), then write a conclusion.