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Summary- Informational Text Chapter: Topic:
In this section of the chapter, a number of critical points were made about
First, the authors stated that
This was important because
Next, the authors mentioned that
Furthermore, they indicated
This was critical because
Finally, the authors suggested that

Summary- Narrative Frame

The title of the story was...

The setting of the story was...

... was the main character of the story.

In the story, we learned that ... was ...

His/her main problem/conflict/goal was ...

At first, ... tried to resolve the problem/conflict/goal by...

Later, he/she tried to resolve the problem/conflict/goal by...

In the end, the following happened...

Summary-Video

Although I already knew that...

I learned some new facts from the video titled...

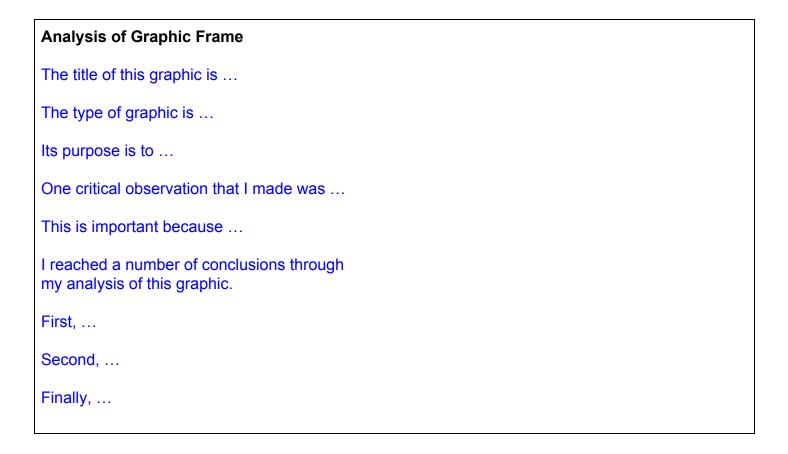
I learned...

I also discovered that...

Another fact I learned was ...

However, the most important/interesting thing I became aware of was ...

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Compare and Contrast Kev Signal Words:

and yet	different from	however	like, likewise
as opposed to	differently	least	more than
but	either/or	less than	most
neither/nor	not only	on the other hand	same as
similar to	while		

Compare and Contrast Frame 1

... and ... are similar in a number of ways .

First, they both...

Another critical similarity is...

An equally important similarity is ...

Finally, they ...

The differences between ... and ... are also obvious.

The most important difference is ...

In addition, they are...

In the final analysis, ... differs from ... in two major ways:...

Compare and Contrast Frame 2

Although ... and ... are different, they are alike in some interesting ways.

For example, they both ...

They are also similar in ...

The ... is the same as ...

The ... resembles ...

Finally they both ...

Potential Topics:

Fine Arts

- Two or more artists, musicians, performers
- Two or more periods of history
- Two or more types of music
- Two or more media

Foreign Language

- Two or more cultures
- Two or more roles in the family
- Two or more leisure activities
- Two or more monetary systems

English

- Two or more characters
- Two or more authors or styles
- Two or more themes or genres
- Two or more presentation media

Math

- Two or more geometric figures or proofs
- Two or more processes
- Two or more formulas or mathematical terms

Physical Education/Health

- Two or more sports or games
- Two or more diets or health plans
- Two or more players or positions
- Two or more levels of participation

Science

- Two or more processes mitosis, meiosis)
- Two or more science and real-world concepts (cell and factory)

Social Studies

- Two or more countries or states
- Two or more wars, conflicts, or battles
- Two or more presidents or leaders

- Two or more welds, woods, or engines
- Two or more business terms
- Two or more foods or ages

Persuade/Argue Key Signal Words:

admittedly	even though	in my opinion	that is why
and yet	everybody is	most important	therefore
as opposed to	granted that	not only	similar to
because	I conclude	on the other hand	usually
but	ifthen	probably	while
different from	in conclusion	reasons for/against	

Argument Frame

Though not everybody would agree, I want to argue that

I have several reasons for arguing this point of view.

My first reason is ...

A further reason is ...

Furthermore ...

Therefore, although some people might argue that ...

I have shown that ...

Opinion Frame

I think that ...

I feel this way because ...

Another reason I feel this way is ...

Most importantly, I think ...

For these reasons, I believe that ...

Potential Topics

Fine Arts

- Advocate listening to a specific style of music
- Advocate a specific style or medium of art

Foreign Language

- Advocate visiting a specific country or culture
- Advocate learning a specific language
- Argue that immigration has had a positive impact

English

- Argue for a change in school or community
- Advocate reading a specific author

Math

 Convince consumers to purchase or do something based on statistics

Physical Education/Health

- Advocate a specific diet or exercise plan
- Argue against smoking

Science

- Defend an ecological initiative
- Argue for rights of animals
- Argue for biogenetics

Social Studies

- Determine a person/event of the decade or century
- Argue for or against pending legislation
- Argue for or against a political candidate

- Argue the value of nutritious snacks
- Complain about a product or service
- Argue for a specific product or brand

Process/Sequence

Key Signal Words:

after	first	prior to	third
at (time)	last, lastly	second, secondly	until
before	next	then	while
finally	now	preceding	

Process/Sequence Frame 1

To ..., you need to follow these basic steps.

First, you need to ...

Next ...

Then ...

Finally ...

When you finish, you should have ...

Process/Sequence Frame 2

Several significant events occurred during....

First,

Secondly,

Lastly,

As you can see,... were important events that happened during...

Potential Topics

Fine Arts

- Steps in an art process
- Sequence of steps in choreography
- A type of music or art traced over time
- Storyboard for film production

Foreign Language

- Steps in analyzing verbs
- Order of events in a historical happening

English

- Sequence of events in a story or novel
- Steps in the process of writing a speech

Math

- Sequence of steps in solving a story problem.
- Sequence of steps in solving a formula or proof.

Physical Education/Health

- Steps in scoring bowling
- Sequence of exercises for best benefit
- Health plan
- Sequence of steps of a workout

Science

- Steps in an experiment
- Steps in a process (mitosis)

Social Studies

- Sequence of events in war
- Timeline of historical events
- Biographies of key people
- Chronological happenings that affected a decade or century

- Steps in a recipe
- Steps in completing a business plan
- Steps in building a project

Description

Key Signal Words:

as	for example	some characteristics are	that is
by observing	i.e.	some details	features include
can be recognized by	like	spatial words (at the right, below, above, under, over	sensory words
e.g.	reasonis that	such as	

Description Frame

When describing ..., the word that comes to mind is ...

One reason is ...

Another reason is ...

Finally ... is ... because ...

Thus, ... is the best description of ...

Potential Topics

Fine Arts

- Description of an artist, a musician, or a dancer
- Description of a piece of music, art, or a play

Foreign Language

- Description of a school or family in Mexico
- Description of a bridge or building in France
- Description of an admirable person

English

- Description of characters
- Description of a setting
- Description of an author

Math

- Description of a shape (polygon)
- Description of math terminology

Physical Education/Health

- Description of a game
- Description of an exercise, a diet, or a health plan
- Description of the nutritional value of lunch

Science

- Description of flowers to support a drawing of flowers
- Description of a science phenomenon

Social Studies

- Description of a style of government
- Description of a leader
- Description of a battle

- Description of a child at a certain age
- Description of a project
- Description of an advertisement

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Cause/Effect Key Signal Words:

as a result	do to	results in	therefore
because	for this reason	since	this is how
bring about	ifthen	so	this led to
consequ ently	neverthe less	so that	thus
then			

Cause/Effect Writing Frame

There are a number of reasons why ...

The most important reason is ...

Another reason is ...

A further reason is ...

So you can see why ...

Potential Topics

Fine Arts

- Impact of color on art
- Effect of various instruments on music
- Effect of music on enjoying a movie

Foreign Language

- Effect of history on language spoken in the home country
- Impact of an international leader on the culture of a country

English

- Effect of a character's decision on a story's ending
- Impact of a single event on the lives of people

Math

• Effect of a mistake in solving a problem

Physical Education/Health

- Effect of diet on health
- Impact of drugs on the body

Science

- Impact of recent discoveries in medicine on science or health
- Effects of genetic engineering

Social Studies

- Social impact of space reconnaissance on the cold war
- Effects of a war/battle/conflict
- Impact of a presidency on an era

- Effects of stain on woods
- Impact of drought on an economy