

Unit 3: Informational Text Analysis

An **Informational Text Analysis** summarizes the main points of an article. You will condense the information that you learned and put it into your own words.

Overview:

You will write a summary on your own. Use one of the articles that you've read in Unit 3 about a topic that you are personally interested in. Then make a list of the major details you think an audience should know about. Combine and organize these details into a logical summary and make sure that you only include facts and details without including opinions or judgments. ***You will use the Student Outline on the next page to complete and submit your project in the Unit 3 Lesson 29 Drop Box.***

Requirements:

- 1-2 sentence expressing the main idea
- 4-5 sentences with supporting details
- 1 conclusion statement

Student Goals:

- I can write an organized informational text analysis
- I can write an objective summary without including my own opinions
- I can write use formal academic voice (Avoid using "I think..." statements)

Choose from the follow lists of topics or come up with your own. I encourage you to WebMail me to ask about your topic idea if you are choosing your own.

Article Choices from Unit 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lesson 2: Space Shuttle and Maathai, Wingari• Lesson 4: Food and Fur Trade• Lesson 6: What is Earth?, Teen and Trolley, Space Challenger• Lesson 8: Underground Railroad• Lesson 10: Volcanoes, Leonidas, and Pele• Lesson 12: Redwoods• Lesson 14: Skittles and Blue Blazes• Lesson 16: Recycling, Duke, and Whale• Lesson 18: Edward Jenner and Johnson• Lesson 20: Cezanne, Chavez, and Molasses Flood• Lesson 24: Salt and Salt of the Empire• Lesson 24: Challenger and Shuttle• Lesson 24: Anne Frank/2nd Look• Lesson 24: Game and Willie O'Ree• Lesson 24: Jackie Robinson (Pick one)• Lesson 26: Great White Shark

Student Outline

Your Name:

Title of Article:

Article Author's Name:

Introduction Sentence (Include the title, author, and the main idea of the article) 1-2 sentences.	
Supporting Details 4-5 sentences with details from the article in your own words.	
Conclusion Statement Wrap up the main idea of your paragraph in 1 sentence.	