



Sample Summary

For Science 8 class



Remember the topic sentence needs

- Names
- Action verb
- Big picture

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Take another look.

- Yes, the sentence is long. So what.
- It includes all the information your reader needs to look up the article.
- It uses an action verb.
- It explains the main idea of the story.

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Remember action verbs such as

- analyzes
- defines
- demonstrates
- Describes
- teaches
- expounds
- illustrates
- interprets
- point out
- reveals
- solves
- spells out
- tells
- Diagrams
- Makes plain
- break down
- brings out
- clears up
- gets across
- goes into
- details

Sentence 2: Author's content and purpose.

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Check what you highlighted in the story. Ask yourself if it fits with what you are describing.

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Your Opinion

This story left me with more questions. I wonder what it was like for Justin while his heart was stopped all those hours. Does he remember anything? Did he see a bright light and a tunnel? Has the experience changed him? I'd like to know.

And for

Mr. Schneider

A Second Part
