

Cornell Motes

Central Idea and Summary

Today's Standard

6.RI.2 - Determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

Cues	Notes
What is the central idea?	The central idea is the main point or message of a text.
How are details used to convey the central idea?	Details support the central idea by providing evidence and examples.
What is a summary?	A summary is a brief restatement of the main points of a text.
What is a summary?	Objective summaries should not include personal opinions or judgments.
How to avoid personal opinions in summaries?	Summarizing helps in understanding and recalling the main points of a text.
Why is summarizing important?	

Summary

Understanding the central idea and how details support it is crucial for reading comprehension. Summarizing helps in distilling the main points of a text without personal bias.