



## Template 3

# Gist Statement and Brief Summary

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My name or my group: \_\_\_\_\_

Text: \_\_\_\_\_

### Gist Statement

1. Identify the **who** or **what** in your text.
2. Think about what is **most important** to remember about this text.
3. Make up a sentence with this information of no more than **20 words**.
4. Practice saying it until it sounds **smooth**.

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### Four-Sentence Summary of a Story

1. What **message** does the author want us to remember about this story?
2. What happens at the **beginning** of the story to show this message?
3. What actions or events in the **middle** of the story show this message?
4. What happens at the **end** to show this message?

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### Four-Sentence Summary of an Informational Text

1. What is the **main point** the author is making in this text?
2. What is **one detail** that shows this point?
3. What is a **second detail** that shows this point?
4. What is a **third detail** that shows this point?

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