

Thesis Statements for Summary

The thesis restates the main idea or thesis of the source.

In "A Case for Poetry," Marjorie Abrams argues that children should study poetry in grade school.

In the March 1, 2006, *Weekly Gazette*, Mark Cuffy argues that increasing funding for education will provide long-term solutions to the crime problem.

In his essay "The Black and White Truth About Basketball," Jeff Greenfield argues that "black" and "white" styles of play are an outgrowth of different economic and social conditions.

This thesis announces the thesis of the article that is being summarized.

This thesis contains the author, title, and source of the article as well as a restatement of the author's thesis.

The writer states the thesis of the essay he will summarize.

Transitions

Transitions that show addition and sequence are often used in summary.

Addition

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| also | in addition |
| as a matter of fact | in fact |
| besides | likewise |
| for instance | moreover |
| furthermore | similarly |

Sequence

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|----------------------------|---------------|
| afterward | in the end |
| at last | meanwhile |
| at the same time | next |
| at this point | soon after |
| by this time | subsequently |
| eventually | then |
| finally | to begin with |
| first, second, third, etc. | |