

Understanding Summarizing

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Review Questions on Summarizing Stories

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Answer the following questions about summarizing and retelling stories.

1. What is a summary?

2. What is the difference between a summary and a retelling?

- A. A summary is shorter than a retelling
- B. A retelling is the same as a summary
- C. There is no difference

3. A summary includes all the details of a story.

- True False

4. A summary captures the most ____ parts of a story.

5. Why are summaries helpful?

- A. They help us tell long stories
- B. They help people quickly understand main ideas
- C. They have no purpose

6. What did you learn about being concise when summarizing?

7. Summarizing can help you remember the main points of a story better.

- True False

8. Proverbs 10:19 teaches us to restrain our ____ wisely.

9. Was it hard to be brief when summarizing?

10. What is one way to create a summary?

- A. By writing everything that happened
- B. By choosing the key information
- C. By adding more details

Answer Key

1. A summary is a short version of a story that includes the main ideas. 2. A summary is shorter than a retelling 3. False 4. important 5. They help people quickly understand main ideas 6. Being concise means using fewer words to explain things clearly. 7. True 8. lips 9. Yes, it was hard to be brief because I wanted to include everything. 10. By choosing the key information