

PURPOSE: This strategy helps students use the main ideas to write a summary.

Strategy 2 – Instructions for Writing a Summary

- After a student identifies the Main Ideas in a reading selection, the student can write a summary.
- Select a graphic organizer from the “Super Summary” handout.
- Fill in the main idea statements on the graphic organizer.
- Using these statements, write a summary paragraph including all of the main ideas.

- **IMPORTANT:** Help students merge repeating ideas and formulate a concise paragraph.

Facilitator Note: The graphic organizer handouts are student resources that are used with permission from the Florida Center for Research: home page <http://www.fcrr.org>