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Somebody
(character)

Wanted
(character's goal)

But
(conflict facing
character)

So
(how character reacts to
conflict)

Then
(resolution of the
conflict)

Summarize Like a Reporter

What/Who is this
mostly about?
Topic/subject?

What is most important
about the subject/topic?

Where did this occur?

Why is the subject/topic
important?

How did this occur?

Summarizing Menu: NONFICTION	
I learned that ...	The main idea is ...
This part of the text was mostly about ...	
The author said ...	The author wanted me to know ...
Somebody ... Wanted ... But, ... So, ... Then, ...	Primarily, ... Also, ... Additionally, ... Finally, ...
An important fact is ...	It was interesting to read ...

Evidence:

Some evidence I see is ... I would like to add to ... The author says ... From the text, ... In addition, the author ...	In paragraph # ___ sentence # __, it says ... I disagree/respectfully disagree because ... According to the author ... The evidence shows/says ... To the contrary, the author says ...
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Summarizing Menu: FICTION	
First, ...	The character is ...
Next, ...	The character feels ...
Then, ...	The character thinks ...
Last, ...	The character does ... The character says ...
_____ and _____ are different because... A difference between _____ and _____ is ...	
_____ causes _____ to happen ... _____ is the effect of _____ because	
The problem is ... The solution is ...	In the beginning, ... In the middle, ... At the end, ...
_____ and _____ are similar because ... A similarity between _____ and _____ is ...	

Summarize Like a Reporter

<p>What/Who is this mostly about? Topic/subject?</p> <p>What is most important about the subject/topic?</p> <p>Where did this occur?</p> <p>Why is the subject/topic important?</p> <p>How did this occur?</p>	<p>What: Rising sea levels</p> <p>What is most important: Changing world temperatures causes sea levels to rise or fall.</p> <p>Where: Coastal areas, river deltas</p> <p>Why: Melting glaciers cause flooding.</p> <p>How: Warming of the polar regions causes ice to melt and seas to rise.</p>
<p>Use the information about what/who, what is most important, where, why & how to write a 2 or 3 sentence summary.</p>	