

# Sum It Up Instructions

**Get a “Sum It Up” sheet.**

**Read the entire selection (chapter, article, handout, primary source, etc.) and, as you read, list the main idea words on the “Sum It Up” sheet.**

**Write a summary of the selection using as many of the main idea words as possible. Put one word in each blank. Imagine you have only \$2.00 and that each word you use is worth ten cents.**

**You’ll “sum it up” in 20 words!**

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