

# Summarizing

## Directions:

This graphic organizer is used to summarize the key parts of a fiction text. You may fill in the graphic organizer using incomplete thoughts, but use complete sentences to summarize the passage.

<p><b>Somebody</b> Who is the main character?</p>	
<p><b>Wanted</b> What did the character want?</p>	
<p><b>But</b> What was the main problem?</p>	
<p><b>So</b> How did they solve the problem?</p>	
<p><b>Then</b> What was the solution to the problem?</p>	

Summarize the passage using complete sentences:

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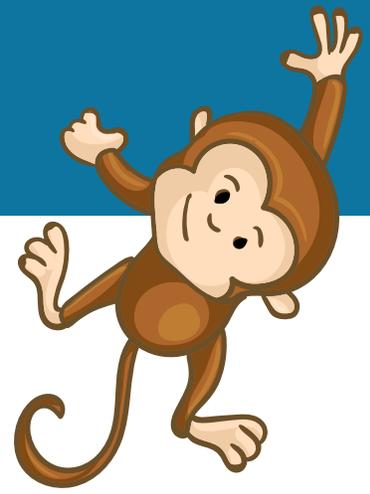
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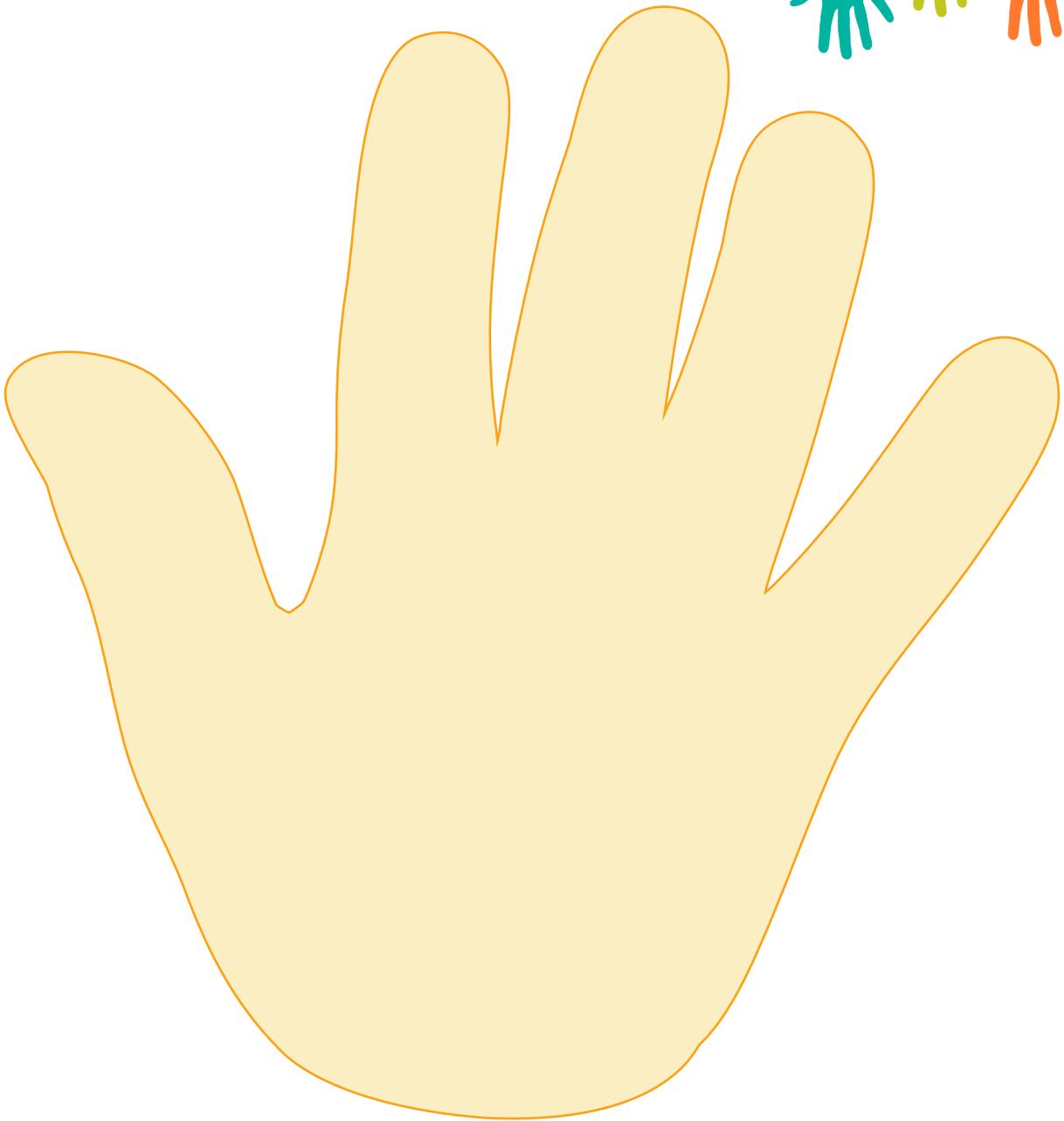


# Summarizing using the Five W's and One H

## Directions:

This graphic organizer can be used for either nonfiction or fiction pieces. Fill it out using incomplete sentences or thoughts.

<p><b>Who</b> Who is the main character? Who or what is the story mainly about?</p>	
<p><b>Where</b> Where did the story/article take place? What is the setting?</p>	
<p><b>When?</b> When did the story/article take place?</p>	
<p><b>How?</b> How did the character achieve his/her goal? How was the problem fixed?</p>	
<p><b>Why?</b> Why is this important?</p>	
<p><b>What?</b> Use the information above to determine the main idea of the story/article. Use complete sentences.</p>	



### **Main Idea and Supporting Details**

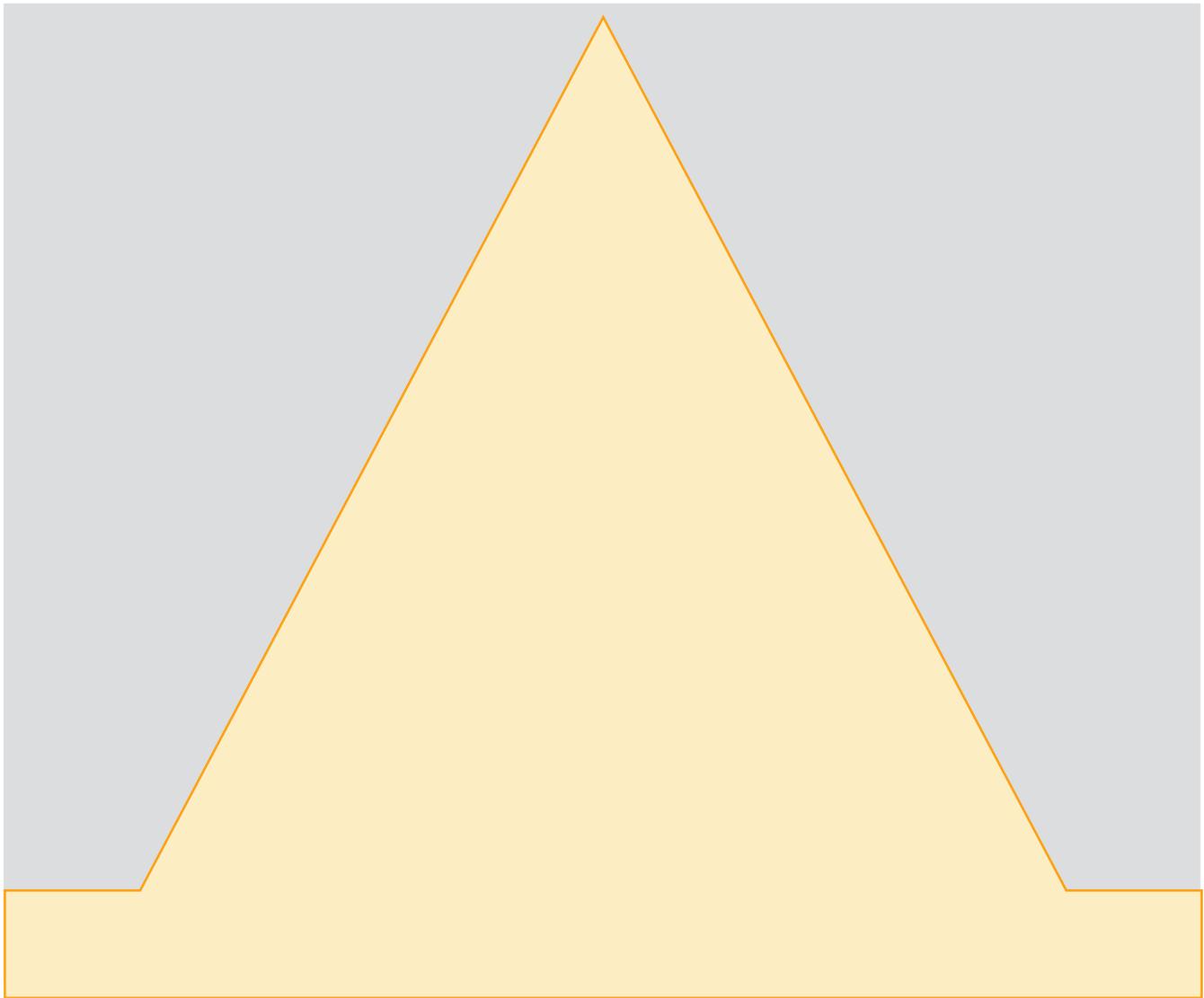
This graphic organizer works best with nonfiction texts. The palm is the largest part of the hand, just as the main idea is the largest and most important part of the text. In the palm of the hand, write the main idea of the passage. On each finger write a supporting detail.



# Plot Diagram

**Directions:**

Use the plot diagram to write the main events from the story you read.



Climax/Highest point of action:

Setting and Characters:

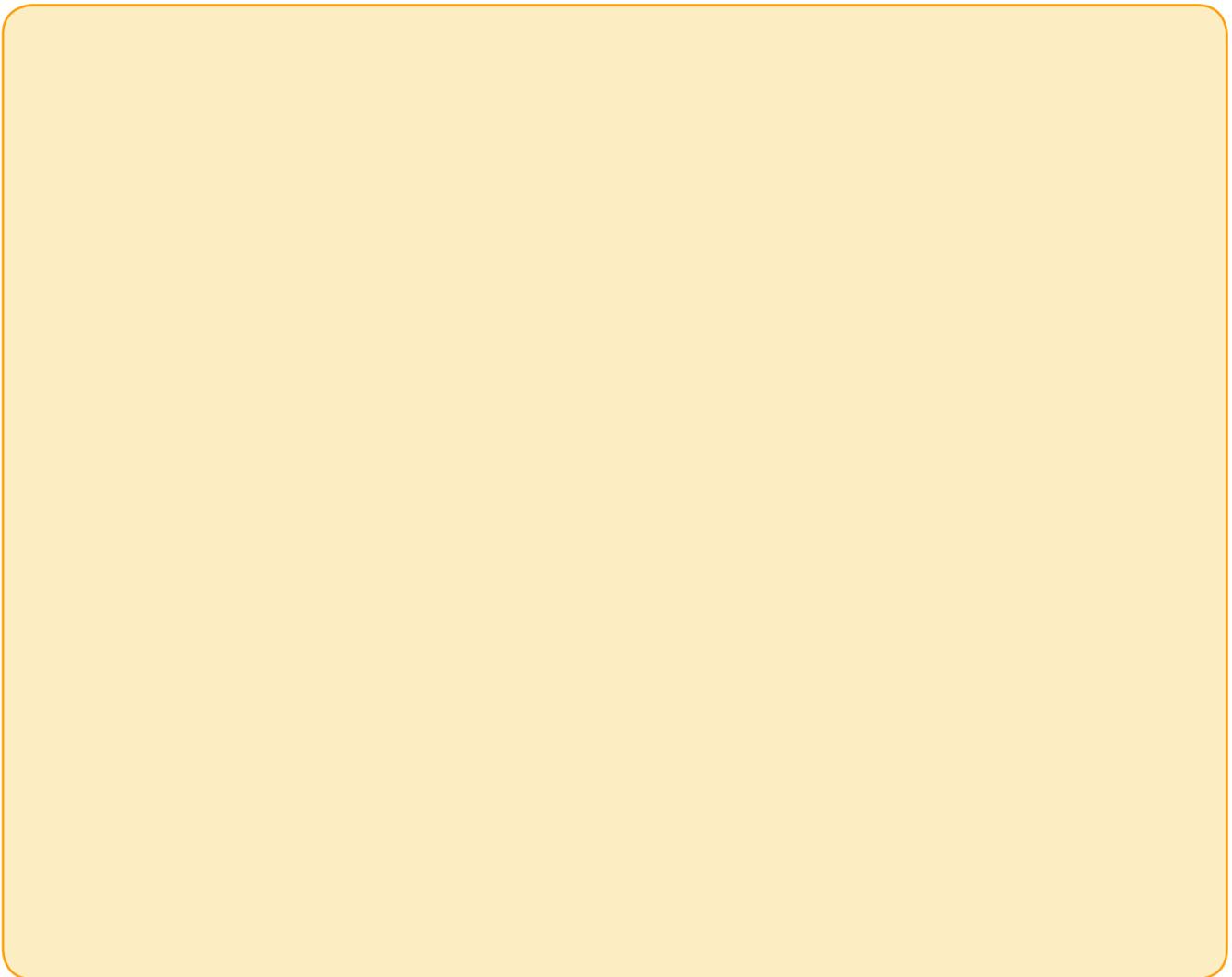
Solution:



# Main Idea and Supporting Details

**Directions:**

The circle represents the main idea. Write a main idea statement in the circle using complete sentences. The four rectangles represent the supporting details. Add four details to support your main idea in the rectangles.





# Sequencing Main Events

**Directions:**

This graphic organizer can be used for either a nonfiction or fiction text. An important skill while reading is to be able to determine the main events from the text, and be able to put the events in order. Use this graphic organizer to find the top five details from the text and put them in order.

Title of Text:
First,
Next,
After that,
Then,
Finally,