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Writing a Summary

A *summary* is a short retelling of the most important parts of an article. It should include the information that someone would need to know to understand the article.

Directions: Complete the summary below based on your reading of "Would You Move to Mars?" Think about what was most important in the article.

Summary of "Would You Move to Mars?"

"Would You Move to Mars?" is about _____

_____.

1. Begin with a topic sentence that tells what the article is mainly about.

2. What are scientists trying to make happen on Mars?

Scientists believe that, in the next 20 years or so, people could be _____

_____.

Daily life on Mars will be difficult. People will have to wear spacesuits outside because _____

_____.

3. How is breathing on Mars a problem? What will spacesuits protect people from?

4. Where is water found on Mars? Is it safe to drink?

There are also problems with finding water on Mars because

_____.

And for food, people will need to _____

_____.

5. How will people living on Mars get their food?

6. What happened in 2013 when a company announced that it was planning to send people to Mars?

Still, we know that many people want to go because _____

_____.

Scientists believe it is important to send humans to Mars so that we can _____

_____.

7. How might going to Mars help with problems on Earth?

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