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Guided Work Session n°6

Objective : Learning to Properly Summarize a Research Article

Objectives:

- Apply the steps for reading and summarizing a research article.
- Demonstrate the ability to synthesize key information from a scientific article.
- Practice paraphrasing to avoid plagiarism.

General Instructions

Students are invited to practice how to summarize a scientific research article by following the five steps taught in the course. The article to be summarized, in your field, will be provided to you. Your summary should be concise (between 200 and 300 words) and adhere to the criteria of clarity, accuracy, and conciseness.

Exercise 1: Reading and Analyzing the Article

1. First reading:
Quickly skim the provided article to understand the topic and its general structure. Take notes on the main sections.
2. Second reading:
Read the article carefully, highlighting important information and noting key points from each section (Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion/Conclusion).
3. Third reading:
Reread difficult or important passages and ensure a full understanding of the entire article.

Exercise 2: Dividing the Article into Sections

Divide the article into several sections by identifying the main subtopics or themes. For a scientific article, this typically includes Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion. If the article is not explicitly divided, do so yourself.



Exercise 3: Identifying Key Points

Answer the following questions for each section of the article:

- Introduction:
 - What research problem is addressed?
 - Are any hypotheses stated?
- Methods:
 - What type of research was conducted?
 - How were the data collected and analyzed?
- Results:
 - What are the main findings?
 - Were the hypotheses confirmed?
- Discussion/Conclusion:
 - What is the overall answer to the research question?
 - How does the author interpret these results?
 - Are there any important limitations or recommendations proposed?

Exercise 4: Writing the Summary

Based on the key points you have identified, write a summary of the article by paraphrasing the main information. Make sure not to copy the author's sentences.

Reminder:

- Be concise.
- Restate in your own words to avoid plagiarism.
- Adhere to the specified length (200–300 words).

Exercise 5: Review

Review your summary by asking yourself the following questions:

1. Have I accurately summarized the content of the article?
2. Have I omitted any essential points?
3. Is my text well paraphrased, without direct copying from the article?
4. Have I respected the word limit and clarity criteria?