



IN THE NEWS



You will be required to find several computer-related articles throughout the semester, which you will summarize and reflect on. The article may come from a newspaper, magazine, or the Internet and must be dated no earlier than *January 1, 2001*.

(**Note: **No** advertisements will be allowed**)

Select your articles from any of the following four topics:

- e-commerce
- the newest hardware innovations
- medical breakthroughs
- computers in the workplace

Once your article has been approved, you are to put together a summary in a report format (see attached example), which will be marked out of 20 using the following rubric. You must attach the original (or a copy of the original) article to your report.

CATEGORY	4	3	2	1
Knowledge & Understanding	Information clearly relates to the main topic(s). It includes several supporting details and/or examples. (4)	Information clearly relates to the main topic(s). It provides 1-2 supporting details and/or examples. (3)	Information clearly relates to the main topic(s). No details and/or examples are given. (2)	Information has little or nothing to do with the main topic(s). (1)
Thinking	There is one clear, well-focused topic. Main idea stands out and is supported by detailed information. (4)	Main idea is clear but the supporting information is general. (3)	Main idea is somewhat clear but there is a need for more supporting information. (2)	The main idea is not clear. There is a seemingly random collection of information. (1)
Communication	Information is very organized with well-constructed paragraphs and subheadings. (4)	Information is organized with well-constructed paragraphs. (3)	Information is organized, but paragraphs are not well-constructed. (2)	The information appears to be disorganized. (1)
Communication	All paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence. (4)	Most paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence. (3)	Paragraphs included related information but were typically not constructed well. (2)	Paragraphing structure was not clear and sentences were not typically related within the paragraphs. (1)
Application	No grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors. (4)	Almost no grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors. (3)	A few grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors. (2)	Many grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors. (1)

Format Notes:

- Centre your main title. Use CAPITALS, larger font, and **bold**.
 - Double space all reports
Side headings are on a separate line, underlined in either **bold** or *italics*.
 - Report should be approximately two pages in length (not including the title page)
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Name: (your name)

Title: (article title)

Author: (name of the article's writer)

Date: (published date - include magazine publication date if magazine was used)

Source: (where you found the article - include a web address if Internet was used)

A TITLE THAT REFLECTS THE TITLE OF THE ARTICLE

Summary of Content

This is where you summarize the article in your own words. Try to give the main point of view of the author. Be careful not to simply take sentences right out of the article. Write this as if you, personally, were speaking to someone about the article content.

Personal Reflection

This is where you are to prepare a 1 – 1 ½ page comment on why you selected this article, why this particular article is of interest to either you, or society, etc. You should also discuss how it relates to (or what impact it may have on) either yourself, or society, etc.