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Grade: Group B

Objective Being asked to write a whole text summary, students will be able to write a summary of the most important ideas with 85% accuracy.

- What is a summary?
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A **summary** is a **short** overview of the **main points** of an article or other source, written entirely in your **own** words.

- **Directions:** Read the text. Use the graphic organizer to take notes about necessary information. Respond to the question.

A New Emirati Wedding

B In the United Arab Emirates, on the Arabian Peninsula, the traditional wedding seems to be changing, at least for some people. A typical Emirati wedding is extremely lavish – elegant, expensive, and huge. There might be 1,000 guests at the three-day celebration for the bride and groom. The groom has to pay these bills, and after such a wedding, the couple begins their marriage in terrible debt. Each wedding seems to be bigger than the one before it. Several years ago, the government decided that things were getting out of hand – out of control – so they started a Marriage Fund. This is money for young Emirati men who agree to marry Emirati women, not foreigners. Many of these men agree to have a group celebration. At one such group celebration, at which the UAE president was the guest of honor, there were several of the components of a traditional wedding: a lavish feast of exquisite food and entertainment by Bedouin dancers waving their swords. The difference? There were 650 grooms. It was, one person pointed out, “a symbol of a new spirit of economy.”



Fill in the spaces using the words below. (EMSAT)

grooms - established - guest - traditional

The _____ Emirati wedding used to be exceedingly luxurious, elegant, costly, and enormous. As a result, the government _____ a fund specifically for Emirati marriages. Additionally, the UAE president is the _____ of honor at the group celebration that has since begun. Although there were 650 _____, it was still a magnificent event.

Evaluate your summary.

Standards of Writing	Yes	Not Yet
I planned my summary using a graphic organizer.		
I found the main idea.		
I found at least two supporting details.		
I wrote my summary in complete sentences using transitions to link ideas.		
I checked my spelling, grammar, and punctuation.		
I asked a peer to read and critique my summary.		

Mr. Ahmed's Comment	Areas of Relative Strength	Areas for Improvement

Keep up the good work!