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Reading Comprehension

Summarizing

Get a "Sum It Up" sheet.

Write a summary of the selection using as many of the main idea words as possible. Put one word in each blank. Imagine you have only \$2.00 and that each word you use is worth ten cents.

You'll "sum it up" in 20 words!

Adapted from *Sum It Up* by Linda Ward Beech

Listen to the story and sum it up on the next page.

Sum It Up

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TITLE of READING SELECTION	

1. Read the selection and underline the key words and main ideas. Write these in the blank area below where it says "Main Idea Words."
2. At the bottom of this sheet, write a one-sentence summary of the article, using as many main idea words as you can. Imagine you only have \$2.00, and each word you use will cost you 10 cents. See if you can "sum it up" in twenty words!

Main Idea Words: