About 25 years ago, a group of Canadian scientists wanted to create a strain of salmon that could survive in fish farm in the cold water off New Brunswick. They took genetic material from Chinook salmon and from an eel like fish called the ocean pout and injected it into the eggs of an Atlantic salmon. The result was a fast-growing fish that looks and tastes like a regular farmed Atlantic salmon. Some people call it a "suoper salmon," while others call it "Frankenfish," after the fictional monster created by Dr.Frankenstein.

The controversial fish. Called the AquAdvantage salmon, has been genetically modified. That means some of its DNA has been articially changed. The modified salmon is also "transgenic," which means genetic material from a different type of organism has been artificially added to the salmon's DNA.

The U.S. Food and Drug Adminisration (FDA), which regulates food in the United States, studied the salmon for several years. In 2010, they decided that the salmon was safe to eat and would have "no significant impact" on the environment-as long as it was raised in speccial facilities and could not accidentally be released into rivers or occeans.

Because so many people requested that the FDA reconsider its decision, the FDA asked for comments from the public. It received more than 35,000 responses. It is still considering these comments and has not yet announced whether it will allow the salmon to be sold as food for humans.
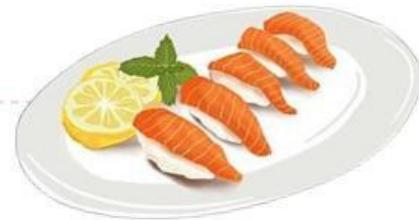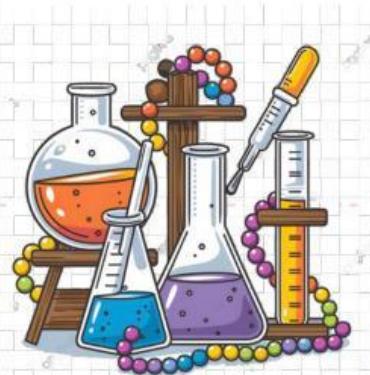
Direction: students write notes on the following points from the stories they read. Then use the information to write a summary of the main points of the story.

Read the following text and write the details. Important points of the story read.

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