

SUMMARIZING A TEXT



ACTIVITY GUIDE

EPISODE 105: GETTING FROM HERE TO THERE

Practice summarizing by identifying key ideas from a passage about electric vehicles.

Step 1: Read the Text

Explore the fascinating history of electric vehicles (EVs). Did you know they have been around since the mid-1800s? Innovators from countries like Hungary, the Netherlands, and the U.S. were pioneers in this field. In 1890, William Morrison created the first successful electric car in the U.S., capable of carrying six passengers and reaching speeds of 14 miles per hour. By 1900, electric vehicles constituted about a third of all cars on U.S. roads!

Step 2: Find the Key Ideas

Now, it's your turn! Based on the text, fill in the blanks with the key ideas:

EVs have been around since the _____.

People in _____ were early innovators of electric vehicles.

William Morrison built the first successful electric car in _____ (year).

Morrison's car could carry _____ passengers.

By 1900, electric vehicles made up _____ of the cars on the road.

Step 3: Write Your Summary

Using the key ideas you've identified, write a short summary of the text in 2-3 sentences. Remember, a summary captures only the most important details.