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Activity 15: Summarizing the Text for Tap vs. Bottled Water

Using the summary guide below, write a summary of Leonard's "The Story of Bottled Water" that includes her purpose for writing, her main points, the problem, and her proposed solution.

Summary Guide for Annie Leonard's "The Story of Bottled Water"

The Parts and Structure of this Guided Summary

Sentence One: Name the author and title of the script and the author's purpose for writing this story.

Sentence Two: Retell the beginning of the story by listing three points in the campaign for bottled water.

Sentence Three: State if and how the bottled water companies were successful with their ad campaign.

Sentence Four: State a possible problem associated with bottled water.

Sentence Five: State three points that support tap over bottled water.

Sentence Six: Construct a concluding statement presenting Annie Leonard's point of view.

Summary Sentence Frames for "The Story of Bottled Water"

Sentence One

The central focus of _____'s article, _____
(author's first and last name) ("title of article" – in quotation marks)

is about how bottled water _____
(author's purpose for writing)

Sentence Two

_____ starts by saying that if advertising companies
(author's last name)

could persuade people to believe tap water _____,
(point one)

_____, and _____,
(point two) (point three)

then more people would choose to drink _____.

Sentence Three

The ad campaign for the bottled water company was _____
(successful or unsuccessful)

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because people now believe _____.
(explain how the campaign was or was not successful)

Sentence Four

According to _____, the bottled water companies
(author's name)
may not have told the truth about bottled water _____.
(problem with bottled water)

Sentence Five

Tap water may be better than bottled water in that _____
(point one)
_____, and _____
(point two) (point three)

Sentence Six

In Short, _____ believes tap water may be
(author's last name)
_____.
(Leonard's point of view regarding positive benefits of tap water)