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WALT précis information.

WILF:

- Read the nonfiction text carefully
- Select the key facts .
- Use a bullet pointed list.
- Write a précis (summary) of the key points.



"SPAG-tacular" Starter



Please complete the SPAG starter for today.

Grammar and Punctuation

Which **prefixes** would you add to these verbs?

____ agree ____ behave ____ turn
____ trust ____ allow

Write out some sentences using these words.



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Reminder: a prefix goes in front of a word to change the meaning.

Précis

A précis is a summary of a longer text, which tells us the main points in a sentence or short paragraph.

It is useful in helping us to find information quickly, as well as to see if we are interested in the text.

You can also use a précis to help you write longer passages, as it has the key points that you would build upon.



To précis, you need to read the text carefully once the whole way through.

Then, read it again and highlight the key points. What are the most important things in the writing? These are likely to be key facts about Tutankhamun's life. Use bullet points to list these, keeping them in the same order as you found them.

Speech and extra descriptive words are not used in a précis. It is only the essential information.

Finally, use connectives and articles to join your bullet points.



Example:

Original:

Cleopatra, an Egyptian Queen was one of the most famous women in history. She ruled ancient Egypt for 21 long years. She was the last Pharaoh of Egypt. Her full name was Cleopatra VII Thea Philopator. From the age of 14 to 18 she co-ruled Egypt together with her father Ptolemy XII. Her father died when she was 18 years old leaving the throne to Cleopatra and her younger brother Ptolemy XIII. Her brother was only 10 years old at that time. She married her brother according to Egyptian culture and became a co-ruler. She quickly took control as the main ruler.

Bullet points of key information:

- Cleopatra was an Egyptian Queen who is famous
- She ruled ancient Egypt for 21 years
- Her father died
- She married her brother to become the ruler of Egypt.



Précis:

Cleopatra is a famous Ancient Egyptian Queen who ruled for 21 years after her father died and she married her brother to become the main ruler.

Your activity:

Please use these slides and the example to help you write a précis about Tutankhamun.



You need to:

- Highlight key points
- Bullet point them in order
- Write a short précis including all key points and no extra details

