**Questioning Method for Summary**

**The following questions from the article, “The Body in Room 348” were designed to help you summarize the main points using the PQRST format**

1. Why does a victim’s background matter? Summarize (point form, using your own words) what you know about the victim.

2. Describe what happened to Greg Fleniken. Also, outline his injuries. Make a prediction of what could have happened to him.

3. Describe the scene. What about the scene makes it a difficult crime to solve?

4. Throughout the article, Bowden describes what happens during crime scene investigation. Make a list of the steps of crime scene investigation as you read.

5. Against assumptions, why is Fleniken’s death ruled a homicide (murder)?

6. Under the “whodunit” heading, locate a quotation that illustrates the true beginning of this peculiar mystery.

7. Add more information to what you know about the victim (Greg Fleniken).

8. In point form and using headings, describe the two theories Detective Apple comes up with.

9. What was the benefit of introducing a new detective to the investigation?

10. How did the men determine what had happened? What were the main clues to lead them to this conclusion?

11. Who was guilty of the crime?

12. Based on all of this information, what lesson can be drawn?

13. NOW, based on your answers, HIGHLIGHT the 10-15 most important details. Then, weave them together (do not just list them) to create a solid summary of the article. Use transition words to help the information flow.

**Using the questions to the left, here are some possible transferrable questions that will help you with your summary. This method includes the questioning approach we studied in class.**

1. Summarize (point form, using your own words) what you know about the victim’s background as a person.

2. In a murder case, there is most often some sort of conflict between individuals. Describe any possible conflict(s).

3. Describe what happened to the victim. Also, outline his/her injuries. Make a prediction of what could have happened to him/her.

4. Describe the scene. What about the scene makes it a difficult or easy crime to solve?

5. What evidence is given to indicate that this is murder and not some sort of accident?

6. Throughout the article, it has likely been revealed what happens during the crime scene investigation. Make a list of the steps of the crime scene investigation as you read.

7. Describe any theories associated with solving the case.

8. How did the investigator(s) determine what happened? What were the main clues that led them to this conclusion?

9. Who was guilty of the crime? What kind of background does this person have?

10. Based on the information, what lesson can be drawn from the story?

12. Are there any other pertinent details about the case that you could include in your summary?

13. NOW, based on your answers, HIGHLIGHT the 10-15 most important details. Then, weave them together in a paragraph to create a solid summary of the article. Use transition words to help the information flow.