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SNOWFLAKE SUMMARY

In “Twin Snowflakes” (p. 20), you learned about snowflakes. Follow the directions to conduct research, and then write a paragraph about how snow crystals form.

STEP 1: RESEARCH IT

Use the article, the internet, textbooks, and your school library to research how snowflakes form. Use the table below to organize the information you gather.

CONCEPTS TO RESEARCH	INFORMATION LEARNED
Describe the processes that form a snow crystal.	
Explain what causes snow to fall to the ground.	
Describe the factors that determine the size and shape of snowflakes.	
Explain how snow is different from other frozen precipitation such as sleet or hail.	

STEP 2: WRITE IT

On a separate piece of paper, write a 100- to 150-word paragraph based on your research that answers the question “How do snowflakes form?”

STEP 3: REVISE IT

After you have written your paragraph, read it critically. Is it clear? Does it include all of the important details about snowflake formation? Rewrite your paragraph if needed.