## **Reading Summary Template**

Student name, New Media Culture Jam, date of class

Last name, first name. Reading citation (any citation style, be correct and consistent).

<u>Thesis/Main Point</u>: *Either quote the thesis or summarize the thesis/main point in 1 complete sentence of a reasonable length.* 

## Important ideas/arguments/examples:

- -sentences, in you own words, explain the ideas, arguments, or examples that are central to understanding the reading.
- -The number of ideas will vary from reading to reading: there should be at least 5-6 for each reading, but most will have 7-9. Use abbreviations of the section heads to help organize the ideas.
- -Be clear, concise, and use language that is accessible to you in order to demonstrate what you have understood from this reading.
- -Sometimes the reading says it better than you could summarize; use quotes sparingly in this section, but as necessary and remember correct citation.
- -Fell free to abbreviate and develop your own style to keep each summary to the one page maximum. Also keep in mind that someone else must be able to understand what you have written and are summarizing.

## **Comments/Questions/Concerns:**

- Write a brief response to the article. It can be in point or paragraph form. Do not continue to summarize the article here.
- -What is more summary doing here? Why isn't it in the previous section?
- -I am worried that there is not enough expression of opinions here and the summary from the previous section seems to continue.
- -Etc etc etc...