Biology Summer Assignment

The advances in all fields of science seem to come at an exponential rate. What we study today may be modified or amended tomorrow just as much of today's knowledge is rooted in the past. An educated person reads throughout an entire lifetime. Articles should be from a respectable source such as: Scientific American, Discover, Science News, Natural History, Smithsonian, Bioscience, etc. You will find 3 articles that pertain to science using the suggested websites or the local newspapers and summarize each using the following guidelines.

For each article, you must do the following:

1. Attach a copy of the article to your essay.

2. Summarize the article in your own words! The summary must be printed. The summary should contain the following elements.

- **Introduction:** Introduce the article by describing or defining the major ideas covered in the article. Explain why this subject is important, and how it relates to science.
- **Content Summary:** The key word here is summary. Do not copy the content of the entire article. What was the article all about? What were the main concepts and ideas that were discussed? What was the question(s) the author was investigating? What methods did he/she use? What evidence was uncovered to support the main body of the article?
- **Evaluation:** Restate the main areas of importance in the article. With your perspective as an Honors Biology student, discuss the quality of the article with regard to its relevance, importance, readability, interest level, and scientific content. Explain why you would or would not recommend it to the other members of your class.
- **Writing style:** This is a college level course, and you are expected to write using appropriate grammar, sentence structure and formatting. You are also expected to use your own words when summarizing, do not plagiarize!

**due the first day of class in September**