



Vocabulary

cultures
deaf
language
signing
relatives
celebrate



You can use a dictionary or other reference books to look up new meanings for words you know.

signing: showing words and letters with your hands and fingers. verb.

A Special Camp

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Camp Taloali (ta-loe-AL-ee) in Oregon is a special place. The campers and counselors come from many backgrounds and **cultures**. Almost everyone at Taloali is **deaf**, which means they cannot hear.



If campers cannot hear, how do they know what someone is saying to them? One way is through sign **language**. Sign language is a way that people can talk to one another without speaking. **Signing** is a way to show words and letters with your hands and fingers. It's like a code.

Some **relatives** of deaf children started Camp Taloali. They wanted the deaf people in their family to have a camp like hearing children have.

At the end of each summer, the campers **celebrate** with a big party. They remember all the fun times they had together. Then they sign good-bye to their new friends.

Reread for Comprehension

Summarize

Main Idea and Details

One way to summarize is to state the main idea, or the most important idea in an article. Details give more information about the main idea. Reread the article and use the chart to help you understand the main idea and details.

