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First-Then-Finally Chart

A good summary doesn't tell every detail. It zooms in on the main events in order. The **First-Then-Finally** method helps by showing the beginning, middle, and end of the story in just three steps.

Directions: Read the passage below. Fill in the three steps to create your summary. Then, combine them into one short paragraph.

The Science Fair Project

Ethan wanted to create a volcano model for the school science fair. First, he gathered baking soda, vinegar, and red food coloring. Then he built a volcano shape from clay and poured the mixture inside, making it bubble like lava. Finally, he explained the experiment to the judges, who clapped and gave him a ribbon for his effort.



FIRST

THEN

FINALLY

Write your summary: