AHS 102 Article Summary Worksheet

I. Write down body system you are planning to use for the article summary:
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II. Break your subject down:
    a. list parts of the body system:
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    b. List diseases related to the body system:
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III. Narrow down to your topic
    a. Which of the above are you most interested in?
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    b. List other names/synonyms for this topic if any:
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IV. Search for your topic (listed in #3) in one of the library’s Health Science Databases.
    When you enter your search term, remember to:
    a. Search by subject (if available) □   b. Limit by full text □
    c. Limit to Peer reviewed journal □
       How many peer reviewed articles are there on your topic? ______ If you only got a few
       or didn’t get any, try using a different name or synonym for your topic.

V. Picking the right article:
    Use the following checklist to help you pick a good article:
    1. Peer reviewed journal article □
    2. Includes at least 10 medical terms □
    3. Article is on your topic/related to the body system □
    4. You can Understand the Article □
    5. Meets length requirements (min. 1,000 words. Recommended less than 4000 words) □
    6. Document type is one instructor approves of (i.e. “research article”, “article”, but not
       “editorial”)- check instructor or assignment guidelines □
       Note: if you cannot say “yes” to all 6 of these, pick another article.