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## Notetaking Strategy: Note the Numbers

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**Task:** Use the graphic organizer below to take notes on a text.

**Instructions:** All authors use numbers (data, dates, references, etc.) to organize their information. First, write the title of the text in the space below and scan the text (or the part of the text you've been assigned) looking for any notable numbers. Write the numbers in the first column of the chart below, keeping date ranges and grouped statistics together. Then, read the text and use the second column to briefly explain what the numbers refer to. If the same number or date appears multiple times, no need to write it in the column again. See an example on the second page below.

| Title:  |                           |
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| Numbers | What the Numbers Refer To |
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Example:

| Title: <a href="#">Reckoning with Remembrance (Exhibition Overview)</a> |                                                                                                                                        |
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| Numbers                                                                 | What the Numbers Refer To                                                                                                              |
| 1955                                                                    | The year Emmett Till was lynched near Money, Mississippi                                                                               |
| 14                                                                      | The age Emmett Till was when he was lynched                                                                                            |
| 60                                                                      | How many years it has been since Emmett Till was lynched & the Smithsonian created this exhibit                                        |
| 317                                                                     | The number of bullet holes that have defaced the historical marker that memorializes the River Site where Emmett Till's body was found |
| 2008                                                                    | The year the River Site marker was erected                                                                                             |