**Note-taking Template for Reading Assignments**

Article (e.g. Cox and Sacks. 2002. *Neurology* 58: 956-959.):

1. What was the problem addressed and where was the problem or study located? (usually given in the article Introduction),
2. Had there been previous research or speculation into the cause of the problem? What was this previous work? (usually given in the article Introduction and sometimes reviewed in the Discussion; also, we would know about previous work if we had read such articles in earlier weeks),
3. What new information or new angle does the current article bring to an understanding of the topic? (usually foreshadowed towards the end of the Introduction and then developed further in succeeding sections of the article),
4. What are the main findings and conclusions of the article and how do each data table and figure support those conclusions?
5. Are there any areas in the article that you or the class did not understand?
6. Are there any directions for future research that the authors have suggested or the class could suggest?