

Reading Response Journal Booklet

Name _____ Month/Year _____

This reading response journal can be used to assist you after reading for 30 minutes a day for a total of 150 minutes a week by writing responses to the questions for approximately 5-10 minutes each day after you read your minutes. Log the book you are reading, the page numbers completed (from page # to page #), the questions you are answering, and respond. Remember that 4 of your responses can be illustrations (drawings) to answer a specific question in your reading response log. This can be done electronically OR in your reading response booklet. **Remember the journal entries can be completed in ANY order. To receive full credit, complete 25 entries (Combination of entries and up to 4 drawings total) and a book summary.**

List the titles and authors of the books you read this month:

Date	Pages	Minutes	1. I'm surprised that

Date	Pages	Minutes	2. After reading, I wonder

Date	Pages	Minutes	3. Are the characters realistic (do they seem like they could be real people) why or why not?

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Date	Pages	Minutes	4. Theme: Explain an idea or theme – either stated outright or implied by events – which is meaningful to you. Explain its importance to the book and why you find it meaningful.

Date	Pages	Minutes	5. This reminds me of

Date	Pages	Minutes	6. If I were

Date	Pages	Minutes	7. I liked/disliked how

Date	Pages	Minutes	8. I think the author is trying to tell me

Date	Pages	Minutes	9. List 4 questions that you would ask

Date	Pages	Minutes	10. I just realized that

Date	Pages	Minutes	11. I predict

Date	Pages	Minutes	12. I like the way the author said

Date	Pages	Minutes	13. Judgment: Examine a character's actions, values, behavior, etc. with which you disagree. What is happening? Why is the character thinking/acting this way? Why? What would you suggest as a preferable response/behavior/value?

Date	Pages	Minutes	14. Describe something that you read that is similar to this.

Date	Pages	Minutes	15. I think the word _____ means _____

Date	Pages	Minutes	16. This story is told from _____ point of view. I think the author did this because _____

Date	Pages	Minutes	17. Character Comparison #1: Compare yourself to a main character. Point out your similarities and try to account for differences between you and him/her. Considering what you have discovered, what is your reaction to this character? Why? How do you think the character would feel about you?

Date	Pages	Minutes	18. What are some interesting words that were used to create a feeling or picture in your mind?

Date	Pages	Minutes	19. Character Comparison #2: Compare a character from your book to a character from another work of fiction (novel, play, film, short story). What are their similarities? What are their differences? What character do you admire more? Why?

Date	Pages	Minutes	20. What are some interesting words that were used to create a feeling or picture in your mind?

Date	Pages	Minutes	21. Explain how you figured out how to pronounce a word and what it meant.

Date	Pages	Minutes	22. Explain how a character changed from the beginning to the end of the book and why.

Date	Pages	Minutes	23. Actions speak louder than words. Pick three actions of one of characters and write what those actions reveal about the character.

Date	Pages	Minutes	24. Describe the major conflict. What side are you on?

Date	Pages	Minutes	25. Importance of a chapter: Select what you consider the most important chapter in the book. Explain (briefly) what happens, why you think it is important to the section, your reaction to the chapter, and why you react this way.

Date	Pages	Minutes	26. What effect does the setting have on the character(s)? What would your reaction be to having to adapt to that environment?

Date	Pages	Minutes	27. Describe the setting's time and place. Create a new setting that you think would be better for the story and describe it.

Date	Pages	Minutes	28. Create a "WANTED" poster for the antagonist.

Date	Pages	Minutes	29. Draw a situation or part of the book you can visualize.

Date	Pages	Minutes	30. Draw a situation or part of the book you can visualize.

Date	Pages	Minutes	31. Draw a situation or part of the book you can visualize.

Complete a short summary of the book. Include your favorite parts, words, and/or ideas from the book.

Favorite part(s):

Favorite Words(s):

If you could ask the author one thing, it would be