

Close Reading Notebook

Header

Each Journal Entry should include the following above your actual response:

Title: _____ Pages Read: _____ Date: _____

Plot

- o A conflict from today's reading was... It was resolved by... or I think it will be resolved by...
- o When _____ happened, it caused _____ to happen.
- o In today's reading the following important events occurred...
- o After reading this section of the novel, I would say an important theme is....

Characters

- o The character, _____, possesses the following character trait(s). Some examples from the story that support this include...
- o The character, _____, said _____, proving that he/she possesses the following character trait _____.
- o I can relate to the character, _____ because...
- o _____ is my (least) favorite character in this book because...

My Reaction

- o The events from today's reading remind me of a time when I...
- o I am confused about _____ because...
- o While I was reading today, the book made me think of _____. This is interesting because...
- o As I was reading today, I felt _____. I think this was because...

Compare and Contrast

- o The story I am reading is similar to/different from _____ because...
- o The characters _____ and _____ are similar/different because...

Setting/tone

- o The tone of this book right now is _____. Some words that the author uses to show this are _____, _____, and _____.

Imagery and Figurative Language

- o During today's reading, I found the following 5 strong verbs...
- o During today's reading, I found the following 5 descriptive adjectives...
- o My favorite line from today's reading was " _____ " because...
- o I found the following example of a metaphor: " _____ "
- o I found the following example of a simile: " _____ "
- o I found the following important images: " _____ "

Novel Doodles

Questions to ask my group

My Literature Circle Task