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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

All the Impossible Things

Author:

Lindsay Lackey

Date Started:

Date Finished:

Keep reading. Keep wondering.
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How to Answer

Your answer does not have to be perfect. Just answer in complete thoughts and use details from the chapter.

How to structure your answer

A strong answer usually has a few parts. Try these steps:

1. **Answer the question.** Start with one sentence that answers the question directly.
2. **Give an example.** Add a detail or moment from the chapter that shows what you mean.
3. **Explain why.** Tell why it mattered, or how it made you think or feel.
4. **Wrap it up.** Finish with a closing thought, a question, or a prediction.

Chapter 9: How is the wind connected to Red's emotions in this chapter? What does this connection help you understand about her?

Example answer: I think the wind shows what Red is feeling on the inside, even when she tries not to say it out loud. When she is scared or angry, the wind seems stronger and harder to control. This helps me understand that Red has big feelings that she cannot always explain. It also makes her seem powerful but lonely, because her emotions can push people away.

How to Answer (continued)

Chapter 18: What does this chapter teach about family? Can family mean more than one thing? Explain your thinking.

Example answer: This chapter makes me think that family is not only the people you are born to. Family can also be the people who take care of you, listen to you, and keep trying even when things are hard. Red still cares about her mother, but she is also learning that other people can care about her too. I think the book shows that family can have more than one shape.

Chapter 44: How does this chapter connect to the title *All the Impossible Things*? What once seemed impossible that may now be possible?

Example answer: This chapter connects to the title because Red has faced many things that felt impossible, like trusting others and finding a safe place to belong. Earlier, it seemed impossible for her to let people help her. Now it seems possible because she has grown and learned that she does not have to handle everything alone. I think the title means that impossible things can become possible little by little.

Chapter 1

Chapter 1: What do you learn about Red in the first chapter? Describe what seems most important to her and what worries her.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 45

Chapter 45: After finishing the book, what message do you think the author wants readers to remember? Explain using Red’s journey.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2: How does the author begin to show that some things in Red’s life feel “impossible”? Use details from the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3: Why does Red seem unsure about her new foster placement? What clues show how she is feeling?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 44

Chapter 44: How does this chapter connect to the title All the Impossible Things? What once seemed impossible that may now be possible?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 43

Chapter 43: How does this chapter show that family can be chosen, found, or built? Use an example.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Chapter 4: Choose one interesting word or phrase from this chapter. What does it mean, and how does it help you picture the scene or understand Red?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Chapter 5: What do you predict will happen as Red spends more time in this new place? Explain what makes you think that.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 42

Chapter 42: What do you predict will happen in the final chapters? What clues does the author give you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 41

Chapter 41: What does Red learn about love, trust, or safety in this chapter? How do you know?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Chapter 6: How do the adults in this chapter show what kind of people they are? Give one example from their actions or words.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7: What does Red’s reaction to the animals tell you about her personality? How do the animals affect her mood?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 40

Chapter 40: What consequence happens because of a choice Red or another character made? Was the consequence expected or surprising?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 39

Chapter 39: When Red feels angry or scared, what would be the healthiest way for her to handle those feelings? Use this chapter to explain.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Chapter 8: What problem or conflict starts to become more important in this chapter? Why do you think it matters to the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9: How is the wind connected to Red’s emotions in this chapter? What does this connection help you understand about her?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 38

Chapter 38: How does a major event in this chapter change the way Red understands herself?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 37

Chapter 37: What does this chapter suggest about things that seem impossible? Can impossible things change over time?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Chapter 10: Do you think Red is right to keep some of her feelings hidden? Why or why not?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Chapter 11: What does Red want from her mother? How does that hope affect the choices Red makes?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 36

Chapter 36: Compare two adults in Red’s life. How do they each help her, hurt her, or teach her something?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 35

Chapter 35: What lesson does Red learn from caring for animals or watching others care for them?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Chapter 12: How does the setting in this chapter change the mood of the story? Describe one detail that helps create that mood.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Chapter 13: What small act of kindness happens in this chapter? Why might it be important to Red, even if she does not say so?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 34

Chapter 34: What do you predict will be Red’s biggest challenge before the story ends? Use evidence from recent chapters.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 33

Chapter 33: What does “belonging” mean in this chapter? How can you tell whether Red feels like she belongs or not?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Chapter 14: The word “impossible” can mean different things. What seems impossible to Red in this chapter, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Chapter 15: What do you predict Red might do next if she begins to trust someone? What evidence supports your prediction?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 32

Chapter 32: How does trust change between Red and another character in this chapter? What causes that change?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

Chapter 31: What important choice does Red face in this chapter? What are the possible results of that choice?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Chapter 16: How has Red changed from the beginning of the book to this chapter? Name one way she is the same and one way she is different.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Chapter 17: Red often feels pulled between her past and her present. How does this chapter show that struggle?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

Chapter 30: Do you think Red should forgive someone in this chapter? Why might forgiveness be hard for her?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

Chapter 29: How does the weather or wind act like a symbol in this chapter? What might it stand for?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

Chapter 18: What does this chapter teach about family? Can family mean more than one thing? Explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Chapter 19: How does an animal in this chapter help reveal something about Red or another character? Use details from the text.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

Chapter 28: What strengths does Red show, even when she is upset or afraid? Give an example from the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

Chapter 27: What mistake does Red make in this chapter? What can she learn from it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

Chapter 20: Which choice that Red makes in this chapter do you agree or disagree with? Explain your opinion.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Chapter 21: What unexpected news, discovery, or change happens in this chapter? How does Red respond to it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

Chapter 26: Where do you see hope in this chapter? Describe one moment that shows things might get better.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

Chapter 25: How does one adult respond to Red in this chapter? Do you think the response is fair and helpful? Why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

Chapter 22: How do Red’s strong emotions affect the people around her in this chapter? What could she do differently?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

Chapter 23: Find a word or phrase in this chapter that creates tension or worry. What does it make you expect might happen?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

Chapter 24: What do you predict will happen if Red’s secret becomes harder to hide? Explain your reasons.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
