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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Baxter (the Puppy Place #19)

Author:

Ellen Miles

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.

If you could ask one character a question about this chapter, what would you ask? Explain why the answer would help you understand the character better.

Example answer: I would ask the main character, "What do you wish other people understood about you?" I think the answer could explain feelings that the character does not say out loud. I would compare the answer with the character's actions to see whether I understood the character correctly.

How to Answer (continued)

Based on the chapter you just read, what do you predict a character will do next? Use a clue from the chapter to explain your thinking.

Example answer: I predict that the main character will try a different way to handle the problem. My clue would be whether the character seems satisfied or frustrated at the end of this chapter. If the character is still frustrated, that would support my prediction. I would keep reading to see whether the next choice is different.

Would you want to read more about these characters after this chapter? Explain what interests you or what you would still like to understand.

Example answer: I would want to read more because I like discovering why characters make their choices. I would especially want to know whether the main character learns something that changes a later decision. Finding that out would help me decide whether my first impression of the character was fair.

Chapter 1

What is the most important thing that happens in this chapter? Explain how it affects a character or changes the situation.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Would you want to read more about these characters after this chapter? Explain what interests you or what you would still like to understand.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Which moment in this chapter gave you the strongest feeling? Name the feeling and explain which details caused it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Which action or line of dialogue tells you something about a character's personality? Explain what it helps you understand.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Based on the chapter you just read, what do you predict a character will do next? Use a clue from the chapter to explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

If you could ask one character a question about this chapter, what would you ask? Explain why the answer would help you understand the character better.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Describe a problem a character faces in this chapter. What does the character try, and how well does that response work so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Where does this chapter take place, and how does that setting affect what the characters can do?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Choose a word from this chapter that is unfamiliar or especially interesting. What do you think it means, and which nearby words or details help you figure it out?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

What does this chapter suggest about how people should treat others? Explain your idea using a character's words or actions.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
