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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Blood in the Water

Author:

Tiffany D. Jackson

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 7: How did your feelings about one character change during this chapter? Use details from the chapter to explain.

Example answer: At first, I did not trust one of the characters because they seemed like they were hiding something. During this chapter, I started to understand that they might have been scared instead of mean. A detail that changed my mind was how they reacted when things became difficult. Now I feel more curious about them and want to know what they will do next.

How to Answer (continued)

Chapter 22: When does a character act brave, careful, or unsure in this chapter? What makes you describe the character that way?

Example answer: I think the character acts brave when they face a problem instead of running away from it. They are not completely confident, but they still keep trying. That makes the moment feel realistic because bravery does not mean having no fear. It means doing what needs to be done even when you are nervous.

Chapter 41: Which scene from this chapter would be most exciting, scary, or emotional to see in a movie? Explain why.

Example answer: The scene I would most want to see in a movie is the one where the tension becomes very high. I could imagine the music getting louder and the camera showing the characters' faces. It would be exciting because readers are waiting to see what choice the character will make. Seeing the setting and emotions on screen would make the moment feel even stronger.

Chapter 1

Chapter 1: What is the most important thing you learned in this chapter, and why does it seem important?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 50

Chapter 50: How does this chapter bring the story to a close, and what feeling are you left with?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 49

Chapter 49: What evidence in this chapter shows that a character has grown, learned, or stayed the same?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2: Which moment in this chapter made you most curious about what might happen next? Explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3: How does the setting in this chapter affect the characters or the events?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 48

Chapter 48: Was this chapter satisfying, frustrating, exciting, or surprising? Explain your opinion with details.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 47

Chapter 47: How does a secondary character help, hurt, or influence the main character in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Chapter 4: What choice does a character make in this chapter, and what does that choice show about them?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Chapter 5: What new problem or challenge appears in this chapter? How might it affect the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 46

Chapter 46: What is one unanswered question you still have? What clues might help answer it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 45

Chapter 45: Choose one sentence that feels important. Why does that sentence matter to the chapter or the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Chapter 6: Choose one interesting word or phrase from this chapter. What do you think it means, and why did it stand out to you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7: How did your feelings about one character change during this chapter? Use details from the chapter to explain.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 44

Chapter 44: What message about doing the right thing under pressure appears in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 43

Chapter 43: How has a character changed since the beginning or an earlier part of the book? Give evidence.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Chapter 8: What detail in this chapter might be a clue about something that will matter later?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9: How does a relationship between two characters grow, weaken, or become more complicated in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 42

Chapter 42: What are you hoping will happen after this chapter? Why do you want that to happen?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 41

Chapter 41: Which scene from this chapter would be most exciting, scary, or emotional to see in a movie? Explain why.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Chapter 10: Did anything in this chapter seem unfair to you? Describe what happened and why you felt that way.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Chapter 11: What mistake, misunderstanding, or risky action happens in this chapter? What could come from it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 40

Chapter 40: What decision in this chapter may have important consequences? What consequences do you imagine?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 39

Chapter 39: What connection can you make between this chapter and your own life, another book, or the world?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Chapter 12: How does this chapter connect to the book’s title, cover, or main idea so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Chapter 13: What is the main conflict in this chapter? Is it a conflict between people, inside a character’s mind, or caused by the situation?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 38

Chapter 38: What action surprised you most in this chapter? Why did it surprise you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 37

Chapter 37: How does the point of view affect what readers know or do not know in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Chapter 14: Based on this chapter, what do you predict will happen next? Give at least two reasons for your prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Chapter 15: Which character trait is easiest to see in this chapter? Explain how the character's words or actions show it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 36

Chapter 36: Does the main problem become harder or easier in this chapter? Use evidence from the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 35

Chapter 35: Find a powerful verb or adjective from this chapter. How does it improve the writing?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Chapter 16: What description helped you picture a person, place, or event clearly? Why was it effective?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Chapter 17: What lesson might a character be starting to learn in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 34

Chapter 34: How does keeping a secret or telling the truth affect someone in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 33

Chapter 33: What new information changes how you understand a character, problem, or event?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

Chapter 18: What question would you ask the author or a character after reading this chapter? Why would you ask it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Chapter 19: How does the dialogue in this chapter help you understand the characters better?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 32

Chapter 32: How does the ending of this chapter make you want to keep reading?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

Chapter 31: If you were in one scene from this chapter, what would you do or say? Explain your choice.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

Chapter 20: What mood does this chapter create? Name the mood and describe two details that helped create it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Chapter 21: What cause-and-effect connection can you find in this chapter? Explain what happened first and what happened because of it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

Chapter 30: What is the strongest emotion a character feels in this chapter? What causes that emotion?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

Chapter 29: What theme, such as friendship, family, courage, honesty, or justice, shows up in this chapter? How do you know?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

Chapter 22: When does a character act brave, careful, or unsure in this chapter? What makes you describe the character that way?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

Chapter 23: How is this chapter similar to or different from an earlier chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

Chapter 28: What is one clue, hint, or small piece of information you think readers should remember?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

Chapter 27: Does this chapter move quickly or slowly? Explain how the author’s writing makes it feel that way.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

Chapter 24: What part of this chapter was confusing, mysterious, or hard to understand? What do you think it might mean?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

Chapter 25: What object, place, or small detail seems important in this chapter? Explain why you noticed it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

Chapter 26: How does trust matter in this chapter? Who trusts whom, and does that trust seem strong or weak?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
