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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Captain Underpants and the Perilous Plot of Professor Poopypants

Author:

Dav Pilkey

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.

Where would you draw the line between a funny joke and a hurtful joke in this book? Explain your thinking using what you know so far.

Example answer: I think a joke crosses the line when someone becomes the target instead of sharing the fun. Making fun of Professor Poopypants's name might seem funny to the students, but it can hurt his feelings. I would ask whether the person being teased is laughing, too. A funny name does not make someone deserve unkind treatment.

How to Answer (continued)

Based on the title and what you have read so far, what kind of trouble do you predict Professor Poopypants will cause? Explain your clues.

Example answer: I predict that Professor Poopypants will use science to cause a dangerous problem. The word "professor" makes me think he has special knowledge. The words "perilous plot" suggest that he will make a risky plan on purpose. Since Captain Underpants is in the title, I expect him to try to stop that plan.

The title uses the word "perilous." What do you think it means, and how does it shape your expectations for this Captain Underpants adventure?

Example answer: I think "perilous" means dangerous or full of risk. It makes me expect a problem that will be difficult for Captain Underpants to handle. The silly name Professor Poopypants also makes me expect plenty of jokes. Together, those clues suggest that the adventure will mix danger with humor.

Chapter 1

Based on the title and what you have read so far, what kind of trouble do you predict Professor Poopypants will cause? Explain your clues.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

Looking back over what you have read so far, what idea about kindness, friendship, or courage seems worth remembering? Explain how the story helped you notice it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Which event from your latest reading seems most important to the story of George, Harold, and Captain Underpants? Explain why you chose it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

What have you learned so far about George and Harold's friendship? Support your answer with something they say or do.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

What connection can you make between this book and another story about a hero? Explain one important similarity or difference.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

Which character has shown good judgment or poor judgment so far? Explain the choice you are thinking about and what another choice might have been.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

How does Jerome Horwitz Elementary School compare with a school you know? Describe a similarity or difference that stands out.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Which word or phrase in your reading helps make this Captain Underpants story funny? Explain its meaning and why it works.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

The title uses the word "perilous." What do you think it means, and how does it shape your expectations for this Captain Underpants adventure?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

What would you want to keep the same if your latest reading were turned into a scene in a Captain Underpants movie? Explain why that detail matters.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

What can you tell so far about how the characters treat people who seem different? Use an example from your reading.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Whose point of view would you like to hear more of: George's, Harold's, or Professor Poopypants's? Explain what you would want to learn.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

How does the school setting help make this story funny or surprising? Use a detail from the book so far.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Which small detail from the words or pictures might become important later in this adventure? Explain your prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

How do Dav Pilkey's pictures and words work together in the pages you have read? Describe a detail that helps you understand the story or its humor.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What question would you ask George or Harold about a choice in the story so far? Explain why that question matters.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What does the story suggest so far about using power responsibly? Discuss a character's actions, ideas, or goals.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

How has your opinion of George, Harold, or Professor Poopypants developed as you have read? Describe what shaped your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Which problem in the story seems hardest to solve right now? Explain what makes it difficult for the characters involved.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Where would you draw the line between a funny joke and a hurtful joke in this book? Explain your thinking using what you know so far.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

If you could give advice to one character in this book right now, whom would you choose, and what would you say? Explain your reason.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

What feeling does Dav Pilkey create in the pages you just read: excitement, worry, amusement, or something else? Explain how he creates it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

What do you predict George and Harold will do next? Use a detail from your reading to explain your prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

How does the way an adult behaves in this story compare with the way George and Harold behave? Discuss what you have noticed so far.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Which detail in your latest reading would you include in a short summary of this Captain Underpants adventure? Explain why it belongs.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
