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| Orientation         | Landscape                              |
| Print on both sides | On (two-sided / duplex)                |
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# Reading Journal

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My thoughts, chapter by chapter

**Reader:**

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**Book Title:**

Captain Underpants: The First Epic Manga

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**Author:**

Dav Pilkey

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**Date Started:**

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**Date Finished:**

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*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 after this chapter, what would you ask, and why?

**Example answer:** I would ask, "What do you wish other people understood about you?" I chose this question because actions do not always tell me everything a person is thinking. The answer could help me understand the character's reasons for making choices. I would compare that answer with what the character says and does in the story.

# Chapter 20

**Why do you think the author ended this chapter at this particular moment? Explain how the stopping point affects your interest in reading more.**

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**New word I learned:**

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**What do you think it means?**

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# Chapter 19

How might the story change if a character made a different choice in this chapter? Describe one possible result.

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## How to Answer (continued)

**What did you do to check your understanding while reading this chapter? Explain how that reading strategy helped you.**

**Example answer:** I paused and tried to retell the chapter in my own words. I asked myself who was involved, what happened, and why it mattered. If I could not explain a connection, I went back and reread that part. This helped me focus on how events fit together instead of just remembering separate details.

**Find a word or phrase that helps you picture a person, place, or action. What picture does it create in your mind?**

**Example answer:** I would choose a phrase that gives me a clear picture rather than just naming something. I would explain which words help me imagine its color, size, sound, or movement. Then I would describe the picture in my own words. I would also explain whether the phrase makes the scene feel peaceful, exciting, funny, or frightening.

# Chapter 1

What is the most important event in the chapter you just read? Explain how it affects the story.

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# Chapter 18

What idea about life seems important in this chapter? Explain how a character's experience helps show that idea.

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# Chapter 17

Would you rather spend time in this chapter's setting or watch its events from a safe distance? Explain your choice using a detail from the chapter.

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# Chapter 2

How does the setting shape what happens in this chapter? Use a detail about the place or time.

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# Chapter 3

Which choice tells you the most about a character in this chapter? Explain what you learned from that choice.

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# Chapter 16

How does this chapter connect to an earlier part of the story? Explain what the connection helps you understand.

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# Chapter 15

Find a word or phrase that helps you picture a person, place, or action. What picture does it create in your mind?

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# Chapter 4

If you could ask one character a question after this chapter, what would you ask, and why?

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# Chapter 5

Based on a clue in this chapter, what do you predict will happen next? Explain your thinking.

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# Chapter 14

What advice would you give a character at this point in the story? Explain why your advice could help.

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# Chapter 13

Which detail in this chapter might become important later? Explain why you noticed it.

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# Chapter 6

Choose an interesting word or phrase from this chapter. What do you think it means, and which nearby words help you understand it?

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# Chapter 7

What problem or challenge gets your attention in this chapter? Explain why it matters to someone in the story.

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# Chapter 12

How are two characters alike or different in this chapter? Compare their words, actions, or feelings.

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# Chapter 11

What did you do to check your understanding while reading this chapter? Explain how that reading strategy helped you.

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# Chapter 8

Which part of this chapter did you enjoy most or least? Explain what made you react that way.

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# Chapter 9

What feeling does a character show in this chapter? Describe a detail that helps you recognize that feeling.

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# Chapter 10

What might this chapter teach readers about how people should treat one another? Support your idea with something you read.

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