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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Crystal Keepers

Author:

Brandon Mull

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 8: If you were in Cole's place during this chapter, what would you have done the same or differently? Explain why.

Example answer: If I were in Cole's place, I think I would have tried to stay with my friends and not rush ahead by myself. Cole is brave, but sometimes being brave can also mean asking for help. I would want to make a careful plan because the Outskirts are dangerous and surprising. Still, I understand why Cole feels like he has to act quickly.

Chapter 40

Chapter 40: After finishing the book, what lesson do you think Cole or another character has learned? How can that lesson connect to real life?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 39

Chapter 39: What is the most exciting or important moment in this chapter? Why did it stand out to you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

Chapter 18: What does this chapter teach about friendship or loyalty? Support your answer with one detail.

Example answer: This chapter shows that friendship means standing by people even when things are scary. I noticed that the characters do not give up on each other when the situation becomes difficult. That makes their friendship feel strong and real. It also shows that loyalty is not just something you say, but something you prove with your actions.

Chapter 35: What does this chapter show about power and responsibility?

Example answer: This chapter shows that power can help people, but it can also cause problems if it is used selfishly. I think the characters have to think carefully before using special abilities or making big decisions. Having power does not mean a person should do anything they want. It means they should protect others and be ready for the consequences.

Chapter 1

Chapter 1: What problem or goal is most important to Cole at the beginning of this chapter, and how does it affect the choices he makes?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 38

Chapter 38: How does this chapter bring together problems or clues from earlier in the book?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 37

Chapter 37: What prediction did you make earlier that was confirmed or changed by this chapter? Explain what happened.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2: How does the setting in this chapter feel different from places Cole has already visited in the Outskirts? Use details to explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3: Which character shows courage in this chapter? What does that character do that makes you think so?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 36

Chapter 36: How do the characters' feelings affect their actions in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 35

Chapter 35: What does this chapter show about power and responsibility?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Chapter 4: What new information does Cole learn, and why might it be important later in the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Chapter 5: Choose an interesting or tricky word from this chapter. What do you think it means, and what clues helped you figure it out?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 34

Chapter 34: Which character faces a hard decision in this chapter? What are the possible good and bad results of the decision?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 33

Chapter 33: How does the author build tension as the story gets closer to the ending?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Chapter 6: How do Cole and his friends work together in this chapter? What does their teamwork show about their relationships?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7: What danger or challenge becomes clear in this chapter? How do you think the characters should handle it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 32

Chapter 32: What do you think is the most important detail in this chapter? Explain why it matters to the plot.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

Chapter 31: How are Cole's actions in this chapter different from how he might have acted earlier in the book?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Chapter 8: If you were in Cole's place during this chapter, what would you have done the same or differently? Explain why.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9: How does this chapter show that trust can be difficult? Give an example from the characters' actions or words.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

Chapter 30: What mistake or setback happens in this chapter? What can the characters learn from it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

Chapter 29: How does the setting make the characters' mission easier or harder in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Chapter 10: What is one question you have after reading this chapter? What clues might help you make a prediction?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Chapter 11: How does Cole react when things do not go as planned? What does his reaction tell you about him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

Chapter 28: What is one theme you notice in this chapter, such as bravery, sacrifice, honesty, or freedom? Explain your idea.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

Chapter 27: How do the characters decide whom to believe in this chapter? Do you agree with their decision? Why or why not?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Chapter 12: What role do the crystals or special powers play in this chapter? How do they create help, danger, or both?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Chapter 13: Describe a moment of suspense in this chapter. What did the author do to make you want to keep reading?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

Chapter 26: What secret, surprise, or new discovery appears in this chapter? How does it change what the characters know?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

Chapter 25: Choose a word, phrase, or description from this chapter that stands out to you. Why did the author choose it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Chapter 14: Which character changes or learns something in this chapter? Explain what changes and why it matters.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Chapter 15: What choice in this chapter seems especially important? What might happen because of that choice?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

Chapter 24: How does Cole show perseverance in this chapter? Why is perseverance important in his journey?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

Chapter 23: What mood does this chapter create, such as excitement, worry, hope, or fear? What details create that mood?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Chapter 16: What is the main conflict in this chapter, and is it mostly a problem between people, a problem with the setting, or a problem inside a character?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Chapter 17: How does the author use details to help you picture the action in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

Chapter 22: What is one thing a character says or does in this chapter that reveals their personality?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Chapter 21: How do the characters solve a problem in this chapter? Was their solution smart, risky, or both?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

Chapter 18: What does this chapter teach about friendship or loyalty? Support your answer with one detail.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Chapter 19: Which character would you most want on your team after reading this chapter? Give reasons for your choice.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

Chapter 20: What prediction can you make about the next part of the story based on the ending of this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
