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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Fantastic Mr Fox

Author:

Roald Dahl

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.

Why is “terrible” a fitting word for the shovels in this chapter? Explain how the digging threatens the Fox family.

Example answer: I think “terrible” describes how frightening the shovels seem to the foxes. The farmers are digging into the place where the family should feel safe. Mr Fox and his family have to dig farther underground to escape. To me, the shovels are terrible because they turn the foxes’ home into a dangerous place.

How to Answer (continued)

What does Mr Fox learn from Badger about the other underground animals, and how does he respond to their trouble?

Example answer: I learned that the farmers' hunt is hurting more animals than just the Fox family. Badger explains that the other underground animals cannot safely go out to find food. Mr Fox responds by inviting them to share a feast. I think this shows that he wants his plan to help his neighbors too.

Badger worries that taking the farmers' food is wrong. How does Mr Fox defend his actions, and whose point of view do you find more convincing?

Example answer: I understand why Badger worries, because taking someone else's food is usually wrong. Mr Fox argues that the farmers are trying to kill them and that the animals need food to survive. I find Mr Fox's point of view more convincing in this dangerous situation. Still, I think Badger asks an important question instead of just agreeing with his friend.

Chapter 1

How are Boggis, Bunce, and Bean different from one another, and what do all three farmers have in common?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What is funny or surprising about the farmers still waiting outside the foxes' hole? Explain how their understanding differs from what you know.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

What does the great feast show about the value of sharing and working together? Use details about Mr Fox and the other animals.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Mr Fox uses the wind to help him avoid the farmers when he goes out for food. How does this trick work, and what might make it fail?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

How does losing his tail affect Mr Fox, and what does his response show about his character?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

How does the woman’s arrival in the cider cellar create suspense? Describe what the animals must do to avoid being discovered.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

How does Rat react to the visitors in Bean’s cider cellar, and what do his words and actions suggest about him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Why is “terrible” a fitting word for the shovels in this chapter? Explain how the digging threatens the Fox family.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

How do the tractors change the danger facing the Fox family, and why do the farmers choose to use them?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Badger worries that taking the farmers' food is wrong. How does Mr Fox defend his actions, and whose point of view do you find more convincing?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Which supplies in Bunce’s storehouse seem most useful for Mr Fox’s feast? Explain your choices using what you know about the animals who need food.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

What makes the digging contest between the farmers and the foxes feel like a race? Use details from both above and below ground.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

The farmers decide to surround the hill and wait. What could make their plan difficult for Mr Fox to overcome, and what do you predict he might try?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

What does Mr Fox learn from Badger about the other underground animals, and how does he respond to their trouble?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

How does Mrs Fox react when a Small Fox returns with chickens, and what does her reaction show about her feelings toward Mr Fox?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

How does hunger affect the Fox family in this chapter? Explain which detail best helps you understand their struggle.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What changes when Mr Fox comes up with a plan, and how does he encourage the Small Foxes to help him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Why is reaching Boggis’s Chicken House Number One such an important success for Mr Fox and the Small Foxes?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
