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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

Author:

J. K. Rowling

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 4, Hagrid arrives and tells Harry the truth about who he is. How does Harry's understanding of himself change in this chapter?

Example answer: In this chapter, Harry starts to realize that he is not just an unwanted kid living with the Dursleys. Hagrid tells him he is a wizard and that his parents were important and brave. I think this changes Harry because he finally gets an explanation for the strange things that have happened to him. He also begins to feel like he might belong somewhere else.

How to Answer (continued)

In Chapter 10, the troll attack helps Harry, Ron, and Hermione become friends. How does facing danger together change their relationship?

Example answer: Before the troll attack, Hermione was not really friends with Harry and Ron because they thought she was bossy. When they help save her, and she protects them from getting in trouble, they all see each other differently. I think danger makes them trust each other because they have to work together quickly. After this, their friendship feels stronger and more real.

In Chapter 16, the trio faces a series of magical obstacles to protect the Stone. Which obstacle best matches one character's strengths, and what does it teach us about that character?

Example answer: I think the chess obstacle best matches Ron's strengths. He understands the game and is able to think ahead, even when the pieces are dangerous and real. Ron also sacrifices his own safety so Harry can keep going. This teaches us that Ron is brave, strategic, and more important to the group than he sometimes thinks.

Chapter 1

Chapter 1 introduces the Dursleys and hints that something unusual has happened in the wizarding world. How does the author show that the Dursleys are afraid of anything strange or different?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

In Chapter 17, Harry learns the truth about the Stone, Quirrell, and Voldemort. What message do you think the ending gives about love, choices, and power?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

In Chapter 2, Harry accidentally makes the glass at the zoo disappear. What does this event reveal about Harry, and how does it change the way you see his life with the Dursleys?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3 shows Harry receiving mysterious letters that Uncle Vernon keeps trying to stop. Why do you think the letters are so important, and what might they mean for Harry’s future?

New word I learned:

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Chapter 16

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Chapter 15

Chapter 15 takes Harry, Hermione, Neville, and Draco into the Forbidden Forest for detention. What themes about bravery, fear, and consequences appear in this chapter?

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Chapter 4

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New word I learned:

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Chapter 5

Chapter 5 introduces Diagon Alley and many new wizarding words, places, and objects. Choose one unfamiliar word or magical item from the chapter and explain what you think it means and why it matters to the story.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

In Chapter 14, Hagrid’s dragon causes trouble for everyone involved. What does this chapter show about Hagrid’s strengths and weaknesses as a character?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Chapter 13 gives more clues about Nicolas Flamel and the Sorcerer’s Stone. Based on what Harry, Ron, and Hermione learn, what do you predict will happen next?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

In Chapter 6, Harry meets Ron and Hermione on the train to Hogwarts. What first impressions do you get of each of these characters, and how might they become important to Harry?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7 includes the Sorting Hat ceremony. What does the Sorting Hat seem to value when placing students in houses, and what does Harry's sorting tell us about his character?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

In Chapter 12, Harry discovers the Mirror of Erised. What do you think the mirror reveals about what Harry wants most, and why is that desire important?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Chapter 11 focuses on Harry's first Quidditch match. How does the match build suspense, and what does it show about teamwork at Hogwarts?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

In Chapter 8, Harry begins classes and learns more about Hogwarts teachers. Which teacher seems most interesting or suspicious to you so far, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9 shows Harry breaking rules during the flying lesson and discovering a talent for Quidditch. Was it fair for Harry to be rewarded instead of punished? Explain your opinion using details from the chapter.

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Chapter 10

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