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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Hate list

Author:

Jennifer Brown

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.

What does the word 'hate' mean in the story so far? Explain how it is different from simply disliking something.

Example answer: I think hate is a much stronger feeling than dislike in this story. Valerie and Nick put their angry feelings into a list. Disliking something might mean I want to avoid it, but hate can make it harder to see another person's feelings. The list makes me think about how words can matter more than we expect.

Chapter 40

Write a short message you think the author may be sharing so far about how we treat people. Which detail supports your idea?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 39

If the next chapter explored one relationship in Valerie's life more deeply, which would you want it to explore? Explain why.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

Is it fair to judge Valerie only by her connection to the hate list? Explain your opinion using what you know so far.

Example answer: I do not think it is fair to judge Valerie only by the list. Helping make it is something people can question, but it does not explain everything about her. I think we need to consider what she understood and what she chose to do. Being connected to Nick does not make all of his choices her choices.

What role does kindness play in Valerie's story so far? Explain how one kind action could matter.

Example answer: I think kindness matters because Valerie is dealing with pain and with what other people think about her. Listening to her could help her feel less alone. A kind action would not erase what happened at Garvin High, but it could help someone get through a hard day. To me, kindness means seeing a person as more than a mistake or a rumor.

Chapter 1

What is one important thing you have learned about Valerie Leftman so far? Explain why it helps you understand the story.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 38

Choose a detail about a character's face, voice, or actions. What does it help you understand that the character does not say directly?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 37

What does being responsible mean in the part you just read? Explain how it differs from feeling guilty.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

How does Valerie seem to feel in the part you just read? What detail gives you that idea?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Which question about Valerie or Nick do you hope the next part will answer? Explain why you want to know.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 36

Consider how the story moves between memories and the present, if you have noticed this. How does its order help you understand Valerie?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 35

What signs of hope, if any, have you noticed in your reading? Explain what makes them hopeful, or why hope seems hard to find.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

What have you noticed about life at Garvin High School so far? Describe how it affects the students.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Why might the author tell this story from Valerie's point of view? Use something you have read to support your idea.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 34

Describe a problem Valerie faces that has no easy answer. Why might different people see it differently?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 33

Which character would you like to hear from directly about the events so far? What would you ask that person?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Choose a choice Valerie makes in your reading. What might explain her choice?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

How are people's words affecting Valerie so far? Explain whether those words help her, hurt her, or do both.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 32

Look for a word or phrase that is not meant exactly as it sounds. What does it mean in that part of the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

What role does kindness play in Valerie's story so far? Explain how one kind action could matter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

What does the word 'hate' mean in the story so far? Explain how it is different from simply disliking something.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Describe what you currently understand about Valerie's connection to Nick. What still feels unclear?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

Identify a moment that shows trust or a lack of trust. How does it affect the people involved?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

How has your understanding of Nick developed so far? Explain what you have learned without guessing about things you have not read.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Where do you notice a character making a guess about someone else? Explain whether that guess seems fair.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Imagine Valerie could ask someone for help at this point. Who might she choose, and what might she ask?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

Suppose you could give Valerie one piece of advice based on this chapter. What would you say, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

What difference do you notice between what a character says and what that character seems to feel? Use a moment from your reading.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

What does your reading suggest about the effects of bullying? Use a detail from Valerie's world.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Pick a word that helped you picture a place or feeling. What do you think it means, and what clues helped you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

Who seems to understand Valerie best at this point, if anyone? Explain what makes you think so.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

Select a word that describes Valerie right now.
Explain its meaning and support your choice
with a detail.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Which part of the chapter you just read would
you most want to discuss with a classmate?
Explain your choice.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Compare Valerie's view of herself with someone else's view of her, if both have appeared. What do you notice?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

Explain how the hate list matters to your reading so far. What questions does it raise for you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

What might help people at Garvin High feel safer? Connect your idea to something in the story.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Based on what you know now, what might make Valerie's next day easier or harder? Explain your prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Is it fair to judge Valerie only by her connection to the hate list? Explain your opinion using what you know so far.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

When has a character's action surprised you so far? Describe what you expected instead.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Choose a sentence that seems especially important. Explain what it adds to your understanding of Valerie's story.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

Find a moment when someone listens—or fails to listen—to another person. Why does that moment matter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

How does the author show that anger can affect a person's choices? Use an example from your reading.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

What have you learned about Valerie's life outside school? Explain how it helps you understand her, or what you still want to learn.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
