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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Hidden Figures

Author:

Margot Lee Shetterly

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: The chapter talks about the Double V. What did this idea mean, and why was it important to Black Americans during the war?

Example answer: I think the Double V meant winning two victories at the same time. One victory was against enemies in the war, and the other was against racism at home. This idea was important because Black Americans were helping their country, but they still did not have equal rights. It showed that they wanted freedom and fairness everywhere.

Chapter 23

Chapter 23: What is the most important lesson you learned from Hidden Figures, and how could you use that lesson in your own life?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

Chapter 16: After Sputnik, what do you predict will change for the people working at Langley? Use details from the chapter to explain your thinking.

Example answer: I predict that the workers at Langley will have to work faster and solve harder problems. Sputnik made the United States worry that it was falling behind in space. I think mathematicians like Katherine Johnson will become even more important because space travel needs very exact numbers. The chapter makes me think Langley’s work will become more urgent.

Chapter 23: What is the most important lesson you learned from Hidden Figures, and how could you use that lesson in your own life?

Example answer: The most important lesson I learned is that people can do amazing things even when others treat them unfairly. Dorothy, Mary, and Katherine kept learning, working hard, and helping each other. I can use this lesson by not giving up when schoolwork is difficult. I can also remember to speak up when something is unfair.

Chapter 1

Chapter 1: What did Langley need, and how did that need create new chances for women like Dorothy Vaughan?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

Chapter 22: Do you agree with the idea that America is for everybody? How do the events in the book support your opinion?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Chapter 21: How does the past connect to the future in this chapter? Think about the women’s earlier struggles and their later success.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2: How did World War II change the kinds of jobs women and African American workers could get?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3: What parts of Dorothy Vaughan’s early life helped prepare her for the work she would do later?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

Chapter 20: What freedoms are the women in the book working toward, both in their jobs and in their everyday lives?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Chapter 19: How do the women in Hidden Figures serve as role models for others? Give at least one specific example.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Chapter 4: The chapter talks about the Double V. What did this idea mean, and why was it important to Black Americans during the war?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Chapter 5: Why did the women working as computers have to prove their skills again and again? What does this show about the time period?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

Chapter 18: The phrase with all deliberate speed means change should happen carefully, but it often happened very slowly. How does this chapter show that progress can be slow?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Chapter 17: What new problems did space travel create for the mathematicians and engineers at NASA?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Chapter 6: Choose one example of how math helped make airplanes safer or better. Explain it in your own words.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7: What sacrifices did Dorothy Vaughan make for her family and her career? Would you have made the same choices? Why or why not?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Chapter 16: After Sputnik, what do you predict will change for the people working at Langley? Use details from the chapter to explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Chapter 15: How did families, schools, and teachers help young Black students believe they were gifted and capable?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Chapter 8: What leadership qualities does Dorothy Vaughan show as she moves forward at Langley?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9: How does Mary Jackson respond when she faces unfair rules or barriers? What does this tell you about her character?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Chapter 14: Why was getting the angle of attack correct so important in the work at Langley?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Chapter 13: The word turbulence can mean rough air, but it can also mean trouble or confusion. How does this chapter show turbulence in more than one way?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Chapter 10: How did the community in Hampton help the women in the story work, learn, and care for their families?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Chapter 11: In your own words, what was the area rule, and why was it important for airplane design?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Chapter 12: An unexpected chance can change someone's path. What unexpected event or opportunity affects Katherine Johnson in this chapter, and what can readers learn from it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
