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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

I survived the attack of the grizzlies, 1967

Author:

Lauren Tarshis

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.

Based on what you know so far about Mel's visit to Glacier National Park, what challenge do you predict she might face? Explain your clues.

Example answer: I predict that Mel will have to handle a dangerous situation involving a grizzly bear. The title is a clue because it mentions an attack. Her family visits Glacier National Park every summer, so the place may feel familiar to her. I think a danger in a familiar place could surprise her.

Chapter 20

Looking only at what you have read so far, what seems to be the biggest problem in Mel's story? Explain what makes that problem difficult.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

What advice would you give Mel at this point in the story? Explain how something you have read supports your advice.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

How does Mel's age—eleven—shape the way you understand her experiences so far? Explain what might feel familiar or unfamiliar to someone your age.

Example answer: I can imagine being excited about a summer trip with my family, so that part of Mel's experience feels familiar. Mel is eleven, which makes it easier for me to picture how she might feel. I have never faced a grizzly bear, so that part feels unfamiliar and scary. Her age helps me remember that she is a kid dealing with a very serious danger.

How does the title, I Survived the Attack of the Grizzlies, 1967, affect your expectations as you read? Connect your answer to what you know so far.

Example answer: The title makes me expect danger and a story about survival. Since Mel is visiting Glacier National Park, I pay close attention to details about bears and the outdoors. The year 1967 reminds me that the story takes place in the past. I wonder how visiting the park then might be different from visiting it today.

Chapter 1

What is happening to Melody Vega, called Mel, at this point in the story? Explain which detail seems most important and why.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What does courage mean in Mel's story so far? Explain whether courage always means feeling unafraid.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

How does the title, I Survived the Attack of the Grizzlies, 1967, affect your expectations as you read? Connect your answer to what you know so far.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

How would you describe Mel based on what you have read so far? Use one detail to support your description.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

What have you learned about Glacier National Park so far, and how does the setting affect the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Which choice, action, or thought from your latest chapter do you agree or disagree with? Explain your opinion using a detail from the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

What has your reading so far made you wonder about grizzly bears? Explain which story detail led to your question.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Based on what you know so far about Mel's visit to Glacier National Park, what challenge do you predict she might face? Explain your clues.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Which word in your latest chapter helped you picture the park, a bear, or a character's feelings? Explain what you think it means and how you figured that out.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

How does Mel's age—eleven—shape the way you understand her experiences so far? Explain what might feel familiar or unfamiliar to someone your age.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Whose point of view would you like to hear besides Mel's at this point? Explain how that person might understand the same situation differently.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

How do Mel's feelings about her summer visit seem to be developing? Use a detail from your reading, even if her feelings have stayed the same.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Which detail from your latest chapter would you include in a short summary of Mel's story? Explain why that detail matters.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

What does the story suggest so far about people sharing wild places with bears? Support your idea with something you have read.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Choose a word or phrase from your latest chapter that creates a strong feeling. What feeling does it create, and how would a different word change that feeling?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

What question would you ask Mel about her experiences so far? Explain what made you curious about it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

How has the author made Glacier National Park seem beautiful, dangerous, or both in your reading so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

What do you think Mel might do next, based on her thoughts or actions so far? Explain why your prediction fits her.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
