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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Invisible Isabel

Author:

Sally J. Pla

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.

Pick one word or phrase from this chapter that shows Isabel's emotions. What does it mean, and why did the author choose it?

Example answer: The word I would choose is "invisible" because it describes more than just not being seen with your eyes. To me, it means Isabel feels like people are not noticing what she needs or who she really is. I think the author chose that word because it is easy to picture, and it makes Isabel's lonely feelings seem stronger. It also helps me understand why small moments can feel big to her.

Chapter 36

What is one hope you have for Isabel after finishing this chapter, and what evidence gives you that hope?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 35

How would this chapter be different if it were told by another character instead of Isabel?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

How does this chapter connect to the idea that everyone wants to be seen or understood?

Example answer: This chapter connects to that idea because Isabel wants people to understand what is going on inside her, not just what they see on the outside. I think lots of people have moments when they feel quiet, nervous, or left out. Isabel's feelings remind me that someone can need help even if they are not asking loudly. The chapter shows that being noticed in a kind way can really matter.

If this chapter had a title of its own, what would you call it and why?

Example answer: I would call this chapter "Trying to Be Seen." That title fits because Isabel is not only dealing with what happens around her, but also with the feeling that people do not fully notice her. The title shows her struggle in a simple way. It also makes me wonder if she will find more ways to let others know who she really is.

Chapter 1

What is the most important thing Isabel learns, notices, or worries about in this chapter? How do you know?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 34

What did you notice about the author's style, such as humor, description, short sentences, or figurative language?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 33

Which event in this chapter was the most important cause of something else? Explain the cause and effect.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

How does Isabel's feeling of being invisible show up in the chapter you just read?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Which choice does Isabel make in this chapter, and what does that choice tell you about her?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 32

What is one connection you can make between Isabel's experience and something in real life?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

How do silence, listening, or speaking up matter in the chapter you just read?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Pick one word or phrase from this chapter that shows Isabel's emotions. What does it mean, and why did the author choose it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

What question do you have about Isabel's life at home or school after reading this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

What lesson might Isabel, or another character, be starting to learn in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

If this chapter had a title of its own, what would you call it and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

How do the people around Isabel help her, ignore her, or misunderstand her in this part of the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

If you could give Isabel advice at this point, what would you tell her and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

What detail shows how Isabel thinks differently from, or notices things differently than, other people?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

How is the chapter's ending meant to make you feel or make you keep reading?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

What detail in this chapter helped you picture the setting, such as Isabel's school, home, or another place?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What is one small moment in this chapter that might be important later? Explain your thinking without using later events.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

What does Isabel seem to want most right now, and what stands in her way?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

Choose a word you did not know well or a word used in an interesting way. How can you figure out its meaning?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

How does Sally J. Pla help readers understand Isabel's worries or thoughts in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

What did you learn about Isabel's relationships with family members, classmates, or adults in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

What is one thing you agree or disagree with in a character's actions? Explain your opinion kindly.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

How does the author use Isabel's point of view to make the chapter more personal?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Which moment felt most realistic to you, and what made it believable?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

How did your feelings about Isabel change while reading this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

What is a confusing moment in this chapter, and what clues might help explain it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Describe one way Isabel shows courage in a quiet or unexpected way.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

What problem, misunderstanding, or challenge appears in this chapter, and how does Isabel respond?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Find a sentence or description that creates a strong mood. What mood does it create?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

What did this chapter make you wonder about anxiety, shyness, or feeling different?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Which character besides Isabel seems important in this chapter, and what role does that person play?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

What do you predict Isabel might try next, based only on what has happened so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

How does this chapter connect to the idea that everyone wants to be seen or understood?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What is something Isabel does not say out loud?
Why might it be hard for her to say it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
