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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Kristy's Great Idea

Author:

Ann M. Martin

Date Started:

Date Finished:

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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.

How would you describe Kristy as a leader at this point in the story? Use evidence from what she says, does, or decides.

Example answer: I would describe Kristy as a confident leader because she is not afraid to share her ideas. She notices problems and tries to come up with a plan instead of just complaining. Sometimes she seems bossy, but I think she really wants the club to work. Her actions show that she likes to be in charge and help people get organized.

Chapter 15

If you could give Kristy or another club member advice after this chapter, what would you say? Explain why that advice might help.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

How does friendship matter in this chapter? Explain how one character supports, disagrees with, or learns from another character.

Example answer: Friendship matters because the girls do not all act the same, but they still try to work together. I noticed that they can disagree and still be part of the same group. That feels realistic because friends do not always have the same opinions. The chapter shows that listening is an important part of being a good friend.

If you could give Kristy or another club member advice after this chapter, what would you say? Explain why that advice might help.

Example answer: I would tell Kristy to listen carefully to the other girls before making decisions. She has good ideas, but the club will be stronger if everyone feels included. Mary Anne, Claudia, and Stacey each bring something different to the group. If Kristy remembers that, the club can work more like a team.

Chapter 1

After this chapter, what have you learned so far about Kristy Thomas and her life in Stoneybrook? Choose one detail that seems important and explain why.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

How does the author make the Baby-sitters Club feel like a real club, not just an idea? Point to details such as rules, jobs, meetings, or teamwork.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

The girls take on responsibility when they baby-sit and when they run their club. What responsibility does one character show in this chapter, and what can be learned from it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

So far, what problem or need makes Kristy’s baby-sitting idea seem useful? Explain how the people around her react to it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

How would you describe Kristy as a leader at this point in the story? Use evidence from what she says, does, or decides.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

What is one moment in this chapter that felt funny, surprising, or frustrating to you? Explain your reaction and what the moment showed about the characters.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Claudia’s home and room are important to the club. How does the setting help you understand Claudia or the group?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Mary Anne, Claudia, Stacey, and Kristy each have different personalities. Which club member do you understand best so far, and what helped you understand her?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Find a word or phrase in this chapter that helps show a character’s feelings, such as excitement, worry, anger, or embarrassment. What does it mean in the sentence, and why did the author choose it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

So far, how do adults in the story affect the choices Kristy and her friends make? Choose one adult and explain their influence.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What prediction can you make about the Baby-sitters Club’s future based on this chapter? Give at least two clues from the story that support your prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

What is one challenge the Baby-sitters Club faces so far? Describe the challenge and tell whether you think the girls handle it well.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

How does friendship matter in this chapter?
Explain how one character supports, disagrees with, or learns from another character.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Kristy sometimes has strong opinions about what should happen. In this chapter, when is being outspoken helpful, and when might it cause problems?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
