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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Life on the Moon

Author:

Matthew Swanson

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.

Which character made the biggest choice in this chapter? Explain the choice and why you think the character made it.

Example answer: I think the main character made the biggest choice because they decided to do something difficult instead of taking the easy way out. This showed that they were starting to be braver and more responsible. I think they made that choice because they cared about what would happen to other people, not just themselves.

Chapter 12

What is your opinion of this chapter compared with earlier chapters? Explain what made it stronger, weaker, funnier, sadder, or more exciting.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

If you could give advice to one character after reading this chapter, what would you say and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

What do you predict might happen next, and what clues from this chapter helped you make that prediction?

Example answer: I predict that the problem is going to get more serious in the next chapter. One clue is that this chapter ended with a question that was not answered. Another clue is that the characters seemed worried, so I think they will have to make an important decision soon.

How does the author make this chapter interesting to read? Think about humor, suspense, description, dialogue, or action.

Example answer: The author made this chapter interesting by using suspense. I wanted to keep reading because I did not know how the characters would solve the problem. The dialogue also helped because it showed what the characters were feeling without just telling me.

Chapter 1

What are the most important things that happened in this chapter, and how do they change the story so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

How does the author make this chapter interesting to read? Think about humor, suspense, description, dialogue, or action.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Find a moment in this chapter that surprised you, confused you, or made you curious. What was your reaction, and what questions do you still have?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Which character made the biggest choice in this chapter? Explain the choice and why you think the character made it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

What is one problem or conflict in this chapter?
How do the characters try to handle it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

What is one theme or lesson that seems to be growing in the story so far? How did this chapter show it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

What do you predict might happen next, and what clues from this chapter helped you make that prediction?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Choose one word or phrase from this chapter that stood out to you. What do you think it means, and how did it add to the scene?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

What did you learn about the setting in this chapter? How does the place affect what happens?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

How did your feelings about a character change during this chapter? Use details from the chapter to explain why.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
