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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Maribel Versus the Volcano

Author:

Jane Pica

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 2: How does Maribel react when she faces a problem or warning? What does her reaction show about her personality?

Example answer: I think Maribel reacts with worry at first, but she does not give up. She pays attention to what is happening and tries to figure out what she should do. This shows that she is brave, even if she feels scared. To me, being brave means doing the right thing even when something is hard.

How to Answer (continued)

Chapter 4: Based on what has happened so far, what do you predict Maribel will do next? What clues in the story support your prediction?

Example answer: I predict that Maribel will try to help her family or her town get ready for danger from the volcano. One clue is that she has been noticing signs that something is wrong. Another clue is that she seems like the kind of person who wants to take action instead of just waiting. I think her courage will become more important in the next chapters.

Chapter 8: Which scene in this chapter felt the most exciting, surprising, or important to you? Explain why it stood out.

Example answer: The scene that stood out to me most was when the danger from the volcano felt very close. I could picture the characters moving quickly and feeling nervous. It was exciting because Maribel had to make choices under pressure. This scene was important because it showed how much she had learned and how strong she could be.

Chapter 1

Chapter 1: What do you learn about Maribel, her home, and the volcano? How does the setting help create the mood at the beginning of the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Chapter 10: Do you think the ending was satisfying? Why or why not? What will you remember most about Maribel’s story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9: How has Maribel changed from the beginning of the book to this chapter? What events helped her grow?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2: How does Maribel react when she faces a problem or warning? What does her reaction show about her personality?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3: Choose one strong or interesting word from this chapter, such as a word that describes the volcano, the weather, or Maribel's feelings. What does the word mean, and why do you think the author chose it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Chapter 8: Which scene in this chapter felt the most exciting, surprising, or important to you? Explain why it stood out.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7: What lesson or message do you think the author is showing through Maribel's struggle with the volcano?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Chapter 4: Based on what has happened so far, what do you predict Maribel will do next? What clues in the story support your prediction?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Chapter 5: What is one important choice Maribel makes in this chapter? How does that choice affect the people around her?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Chapter 6: How does Maribel’s relationship with another character change in this chapter? Use details from the story to explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
