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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

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Author:

Jeff Kinney

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.

How does Greg handle embarrassment or awkwardness in the pages you read? Do you think his reaction helps or hurts him?

Example answer: I think Greg usually tries to act like the embarrassing thing is not really his fault. That can be funny, but it does not always help him because other people can still tell what happened. In my opinion, he would probably do better if he admitted when something went wrong. Still, his reactions make the story feel like a real middle school diary.

Chapter 20

After reading this chapter, what question do you still have about Greg, Rowley, or the problem Greg is facing?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

What theme, such as friendship, family, honesty, popularity, or responsibility, seems important in this section?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

How does Jeff Kinney use Greg's diary style to make the story feel personal or funny in this chapter?

Example answer: The diary style makes it feel like Greg is talking straight to me. He explains things in a casual way, so even small problems seem dramatic and funny. The drawings also help because they show Greg's version of events. I like that the diary format lets us see his opinions, even when he might be exaggerating.

What theme, such as friendship, family, honesty, popularity, or responsibility, seems important in this section?

Example answer: A theme I noticed is responsibility. Greg often wants things to go his way, but he does not always think about how his choices affect other people. This makes the story funny, but it also shows that he still has some growing up to do. I think the author wants readers to laugh at Greg while also noticing what he could do better.

Chapter 1

So far, what is the main problem Greg Heffley is dealing with, and why does it matter to him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What is one decision you would make differently from Greg if you were in his place? Explain your reasoning.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

What connection can you make between Greg's situation and something a real middle school student might experience?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

How does Greg describe himself in this part of the book? What details show how he wants other people to see him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

What role does humor play in the chapter you just read? Choose one funny moment or idea and explain why it worked.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

How do the drawings and text work together in the chapter you read?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

What is a moment when Greg's point of view might not tell the whole truth? What clues make you question him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

How is Greg's relationship with Rowley shown so far? What does Greg seem to appreciate or misunderstand about their friendship?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

What is one choice Greg makes in this section, and what does that choice reveal about his personality?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Which character seems most reasonable in this section, and why do you think so?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

What is one conflict between what Greg wants and what other people expect from him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

How do Greg's family members, such as Mom, Dad, Rodrick, or Manny, affect his day in this part of the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

What does the setting, such as Greg's home or school, add to the events in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

How does Jeff Kinney use Greg's diary style to make the story feel personal or funny in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

What lesson might Greg be learning so far, even if he does not realize it yet?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Which word, phrase, or cartoon detail stood out to you in this section? Explain what it helped you understand or picture.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What do you predict Greg will try next, and what makes you think that?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

How does Greg handle embarrassment or awkwardness in the pages you read? Do you think his reaction helps or hurts him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
