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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Pugsley (The Puppy Place)

Author:

Ellen Miles

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.

Based on what you have read, what do you predict Lizzie or Charles Peterson might need to do next to help Pugsley? Explain the clues behind your prediction.

Example answer: I predict that Lizzie or Charles will need to learn more about what works best for Pugsley. He is the puppy they are helping, so his needs should guide their choices. I think paying attention to how he responds will help them make a good plan. I would keep reading to see whether they change their approach.

How to Answer (continued)

What does the story suggest so far about the difference between loving a puppy and being responsible for one? Use a detail from your reading to explain.

Example answer: I think loving a puppy means enjoying him, but being responsible means thinking about what he needs. The Peterson family's work with foster dogs makes me think about that difference. Helping Pugsley is not only about having a cute puppy around. To me, real care also means being willing to do work for him.

What lesson do you think a character might learn through caring for Pugsley? Use something you have read so far to explain why you expect that lesson.

Example answer: I think a character might learn that helping a dog starts with understanding him. Pugsley is the puppy who needs care, so I expect his needs to shape what the people around him learn. I would not expect every plan to work equally well for every dog. My prediction is that being willing to learn will matter more than having all the answers right away.

Chapter 1

What have you learned so far about Pugsley and the care he needs? Explain how a detail from your reading helped you understand him.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Where do you see patience—or a need for more patience—in the story so far? Explain how it connects to taking care of Pugsley.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What lesson do you think a character might learn through caring for Pugsley? Use something you have read so far to explain why you expect that lesson.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Based on what you have read, what do you predict Lizzie or Charles Peterson might need to do next to help Pugsley? Explain the clues behind your prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Which choice or action has helped you understand Lizzie or Charles better so far? Explain what it suggests about that character.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

What have you noticed about how Lizzie and Charles work with others when a dog needs help? Explain what their actions show about working together.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Which decision involving Pugsley would you most want to discuss with Lizzie or Charles? Explain whether you agree with it and what you would tell them.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Choose a word from your reading that helps describe Pugsley, his care, or someone's feelings about him. What do you think it means, and how do the nearby sentences help you figure it out?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

What does the story suggest so far about the difference between loving a puppy and being responsible for one? Use a detail from your reading to explain.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

How does the Peterson family's home or daily life affect caring for dogs in the story so far? Describe a detail that helps you understand this connection.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
