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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

The library of unruly treasures

Author:

Jeanne Birdsall

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.

Choose one interesting or unfamiliar word from this chapter. What do you think it means, and what clues helped you?

Example answer: One unfamiliar word I noticed seemed to mean something like messy, wild, or hard to control. I used the words around it to help me because the sentence described things not behaving in an ordinary way. I also thought about the feeling of the scene, which helped me make a good guess. If I were checking my answer, I would look it up and then reread the sentence.

Chapter 32

How does this chapter prepare you for the ending of the book without giving everything away?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

If you could ask the author one question about this chapter, what would you ask?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

How did the chapter ending make you want to keep reading?

Example answer: The ending made me curious because it left an important question unanswered. I wanted to know what the character would do next and whether the problem would get better or worse. It felt like the author stopped at a moment when something could change. That made me want to turn the page right away.

What theme, such as friendship, bravery, family, fairness, or belonging, connects to this chapter?

Example answer: I think this chapter connects to the theme of bravery. The character had to face something that seemed difficult instead of ignoring it. Bravery did not mean the character felt no fear; it meant the character kept trying anyway. This helped me see that the story might be about growing stronger when things are hard.

Chapter 1

What important problem, mystery, or situation is introduced in this chapter, and why do you think it matters?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

What conflict in this chapter was inside a character's mind or heart, and what conflict was outside the character?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

How did the author help you understand what a character was thinking without directly saying it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Which detail about the setting stood out to you most in this chapter, and how did it affect the mood?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

How did the main character's words or actions in this chapter show what kind of person they are?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

What theme, such as friendship, bravery, family, fairness, or belonging, connects to this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

What was your favorite moment in this chapter, and why did it matter to you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

What new information did you learn in this chapter that changed what you thought before?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Choose one interesting or unfamiliar word from this chapter. What do you think it means, and what clues helped you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

How are the events in this chapter connected to something that happened earlier in the book?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

What is one thing a character wants right now, and what is standing in the way?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

What choice did a character make in this chapter, and do you agree with it? Explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

What question do you have after reading this chapter, and what clues might help answer it later?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

How did the setting in this chapter create a challenge or opportunity for the characters?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

What surprised you in this chapter, and how did it change your understanding of the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Describe a moment in this chapter when a character had a strong feeling. How could you tell?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What do you predict might happen next, and what evidence from this chapter supports your prediction?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

Find a sentence or phrase that seemed especially powerful. Why did it catch your attention?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

What did this chapter make you wonder about a character's past, secrets, or goals?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

How did the author make this chapter exciting, funny, mysterious, or emotional?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

What was the most important event in this chapter, and how might it affect the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

How did a character show courage, kindness, curiosity, honesty, or another important trait in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

What problem became harder, clearer, or more interesting in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Which character changed their mind, learned something, or saw something differently in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

What lesson or message might be starting to appear in the story so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What part of this chapter was easiest to picture in your mind, and what words helped you imagine it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

How did the chapter ending make you want to keep reading?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

How did two characters treat each other in this chapter, and what did that show about their relationship?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

If you could give one character advice at this point in the story, what would you say and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

What is one small detail from this chapter that you think might become important later?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
