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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

The Lightning Thief

Author:

Rick Riordan

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 3: What does Percy's relationship with his mother show about both of their characters? Give examples from the chapter.

Example answer: I think Percy and his mom love each other a lot and try to protect each other. Percy notices when his mom is sad, and he wants her to be happy because Gabe treats her badly. His mom is kind and brave because she takes Percy to the cabin even when things start to feel dangerous. Their relationship shows that family is one of the most important things to Percy.

How to Answer (continued)

Chapter 15: Ares asks Percy and his friends to do a job for him. Do you think they should trust Ares? Explain your opinion with reasons from the chapter.

Example answer: I do not think Percy and his friends should fully trust Ares. He is a god, but he acts rude and pushy, and he seems to enjoy conflict. I understand why they agree to help him because they need information and transportation. Still, I would be nervous because Ares seems like someone who might use them for his own plan.

Chapter 22: Luke's betrayal changes Percy's understanding of the quest. How does this ending affect what you think might happen next?

Example answer: Luke's betrayal makes me think Percy will have to be much more careful about who he trusts. I was surprised because Luke seemed like a helpful friend at camp. Now Percy knows the danger is not only outside Camp Half-Blood, but also inside it. I think the next part of Percy's life will include trying to stop Kronos and figure out which people are truly on his side.

Chapter 1

Chapter 1: How does the field trip to the museum change Percy's idea of what is real? Use details from the chapter to explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

Chapter 22: Luke's betrayal changes Percy's understanding of the quest. How does this ending affect what you think might happen next?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Chapter 21: Percy has to make choices about the gods, his mother, and Gabe. What does this chapter show about responsibility?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2: Percy sees three old ladies knitting and cutting yarn. What do you think this strange moment might mean for Percy later in the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3: What does Percy's relationship with his mother show about both of their characters? Give examples from the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

Chapter 20: Percy chooses to battle Ares. What gives Percy courage in this scene, and what does the fight show about him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Chapter 19: What does Percy discover about the master bolt, the backpack, and Hades? How does this change the mystery?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Chapter 4: How does Percy act during the Minotaur attack, and what does this show about him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Chapter 5: Percy learns about nectar and ambrosia at Camp Half-Blood. What do these words seem to mean in the story, and how do they help Percy?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

Chapter 18: What does the scene with Cerberus show about Annabeth's personality and talents?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Chapter 17: Crusty talks about making customers a "perfect fit." What does this phrase really mean in the chapter, and why is it scary?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Chapter 6: What do Percy's first experiences at camp, especially with Clarisse, show about the challenges he will face there?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7: The campers send part of their dinner into the fire as an offering. What does this tradition show about the world Percy has entered?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Chapter 16: The Lotus Hotel seems fun and safe at first. What makes it dangerous, and how do Percy and his friends escape its pull?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Chapter 15: Ares asks Percy and his friends to do a job for him. Do you think they should trust Ares? Explain your opinion with reasons from the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Chapter 8: How does the capture-the-flag game change the way other campers see Percy? What does Percy learn about himself?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9: Percy hears a prophecy before starting his quest. Which part of the prophecy seems most important or worrying to you, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Chapter 14: Percy becomes known as a fugitive on the news. How does this make the quest harder for him, and why is the situation unfair?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Chapter 13: The word "plunge" is in the chapter title. How does Percy's plunge from the Arch become an important moment in the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Chapter 10: When the bus trip goes wrong, how do Percy, Annabeth, and Grover work together? What does this show about their team?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Chapter 11: What clues tell the reader that Auntie Em's Garden Gnome Emporium is dangerous?
How do the characters respond to those clues?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Chapter 12: Grover talks about his dream of finding Pan. What does this dream tell you about Grover's hopes and values?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
