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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

The Lost Library

Author:

Rebecca Stead

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 is Martinville feeling like an ordinary town and also a strange one?

Example answer: Martinville feels ordinary because it seems like a small town where people know each other and kids can explore. At the same time, it feels strange because the little free library appears in such a mysterious way, and the orange cat makes it feel even more unusual. I think the author wants the town to feel real but also full of hidden secrets.

Chapter 52

What is the biggest question you have at the end of this chapter, and what clues might help answer it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 51

What do you think a reader younger than you might find confusing in this chapter, and how would you explain it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

What prediction can you make about one unanswered question in the mystery?
Example answer: I predict that one of the old books will help Evan and Rafe understand something important about Martinville's past. The adults seem uncomfortable talking about certain things, so I think the answer is connected to something that happened a long time ago. I am not sure what the secret is yet, but the books feel like clues that were waiting to be found.

What lesson about curiosity could someone take from this chapter?
Example answer: One lesson about curiosity is that asking questions can help you learn the truth, even when other people would rather stay quiet. Evan and Rafe do not just ignore the strange library or the old books. They pay attention and try to figure things out. That makes me think curiosity can be brave.

Chapter 1

So far, what is the most important new clue about the little free library in Martinville, and why do you think it matters?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 50

What is one way this chapter connects to the idea of "books about books"?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 49

If you could step into one scene from this chapter, where would you go and what would you do?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

What does Evan seem to want most at this point in the story, and what makes you think that?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

How would you describe Rafe’s role in Evan’s investigation so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 48

What lesson about curiosity could someone take from this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 47

How does the author use unanswered questions to keep you reading?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

What questions would you ask the large orange cat if it could answer you, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Which adult in Martinville seems hardest to understand right now, and what makes that person mysterious?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 46

Which object in this chapter would you put in a museum display about the mystery, and what label would you write for it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 45

What is one example of teamwork you noticed between Evan and Rafe, or one place where they could use better teamwork?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

What connection has the story shown so far between books and secrets?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

How is Martinville feeling like an ordinary town and also a strange one?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 44

What does this chapter make you wonder about the history of Martinville?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 43

How might the old books be changing the way Evan sees his town?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Choose one word from the chapter that felt important or interesting. What does it mean in the sentence, and why did the author choose it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What did Evan or Rafe learn in this chapter that they did not know before?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 42

What is one problem Evan faces that is not just about solving the mystery?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 41

How does the pace of the mystery feel in this chapter—slow, fast, or just right?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

If you were Evan, what would you do next about the old books, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

How does the author make you feel curious in the chapter you just read?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 40

What do you think the author wants readers to notice about secrets?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 39

Which event in this chapter seemed most surprising, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

What is one thing a grown-up says or avoids saying that makes you wonder?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

How are Evan and Rafe alike as friends, and how are they different?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 38

What would you tell Rafe to pay more attention to right now?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 37

What would you tell Evan to be careful about right now?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

What detail about the weathered books stands out to you, and what might it suggest?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

What feeling did this chapter leave you with—worry, excitement, confusion, hope, or something else—and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 36

How does the chapter show that stories can connect people?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 35

What is one sentence or phrase that created a strong picture in your mind?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

So far, what do you think the title The Lost Library might mean?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

How does the setting of a small town affect the mystery?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 34

How did your opinion of Evan, Rafe, or another character change after this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 33

What does this chapter suggest about memories and the past?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What choice did a character make in this chapter, and what might happen because of it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

What does this part of the story show about being brave enough to ask questions?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 32

What prediction can you make about one unanswered question in the mystery?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

If the little free library could symbolize an idea, what idea might it stand for so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

Which character do you trust the most so far, and what actions help you decide?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Which character do you trust the least so far, and what evidence makes you unsure?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

How does the author balance mystery with humor or warmth?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

What is one moment when a character had to decide whether to speak up or stay quiet?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

What is one small detail you think could become important later?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

How does the orange cat add to the mood of the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

What do you think the town might be afraid to remember or talk about, based only on what you know so far?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

How do books in this story seem more powerful than ordinary objects?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

What do Evan's thoughts or actions show about the kind of person he is?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

What does Rafe contribute that Evan might not have on his own?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

What part of the chapter would you reread to look for clues, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
