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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

The Unlikely Tale of Chase and Finnegan

Author:

Jasmine Warga

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.

What do you predict might happen next? Explain which clues from this chapter helped you make that prediction.

Example answer: I predict that the main character will have to make a hard choice soon. In this chapter, there were clues that the problem is getting bigger, not smaller. The character also seemed nervous, which makes me think something important is coming. I think the next chapter will show whether the character is ready to face it.

Chapter 20

If you had to give this chapter a title, what would it be? Explain how your title matches the chapter’s events or ideas.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Which character showed courage, kindness, honesty, or another strong quality in this chapter? Describe what they did.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

What choice did a character make in this chapter? Do you agree with the choice? Explain your thinking.
Example answer: One character chose to keep going even though the situation was difficult. I agree with that choice because giving up would not have helped solve the problem. The character seemed scared, but they still tried to do the right thing. That made me respect them more.

What was the mood of this chapter, such as funny, tense, sad, hopeful, or mysterious? What details helped create that mood?
Example answer: The mood of this chapter felt tense to me. The author included details that made it seem like something could go wrong at any moment. The characters' actions and words also made the scene feel serious. I wanted to keep reading because I needed to know what would happen next.

Chapter 1

What is the most important thing that happened in this chapter, and why do you think it matters?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What did this chapter make you wonder about? List one or two questions you hope the book answers soon.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

What is one thing you would have done differently from a character in this chapter?
Why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Which character did you learn the most about in this chapter? Use details from the text to explain what you learned.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

What problem or challenge showed up in this chapter? How did the character respond to it?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

How did this chapter connect to something that happened earlier in the book? Explain the connection.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

What is something a character wants in this chapter? What might get in the way of that goal?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Choose one word from this chapter that felt important, interesting, or new to you. What do you think it means, and how did it fit the scene?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

How did the setting affect what happened in this chapter? Describe one detail about the place or time that seemed important.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

What was the mood of this chapter, such as funny, tense, sad, hopeful, or mysterious? What details helped create that mood?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Find a sentence, phrase, or description that stood out to you. Why did you notice it, and what did it add to the chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

What do you predict might happen next? Explain which clues from this chapter helped you make that prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

How did a character’s feelings change during this chapter? What caused the change?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

What lesson or message might the author be starting to show in this chapter? Support your idea with an example.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

How did two characters act toward each other in this chapter? What does their interaction show about their relationship?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

What question would you ask one character after reading this chapter? Why would you ask that question?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

What choice did a character make in this chapter? Do you agree with the choice? Explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

What was one surprising moment in this chapter? How did it change what you thought about the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
