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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

The Wild Zone

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.

Find a word that is new or interesting to you. What do you think it means, and which nearby words help you?

Example answer: If I found the word "cautious," I would look at what the character was doing nearby. If the character moved slowly and checked for danger, I would think it meant being careful. Those actions would be my clues. I could check a dictionary afterward to see whether my guess was right.

Chapter 36

What is left unsettled at the end of this chapter, and why is it important to the characters?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 35

How does this chapter connect to something you have experienced, read about, or seen? Explain both a similarity and a difference.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

Imagine that a character could ask you for advice right now. What would you suggest, and why?

Example answer: If a character were trying to handle a difficult problem alone, I would suggest asking someone trustworthy for help. I think another person might notice a solution the character missed. I would also remind the character that asking for help does not mean giving up. To support my advice, I would point to a moment in the chapter when working alone did not help.

What title would you give this chapter, and how does your title fit its main events or ideas?

Example answer: For a chapter about a difficult decision, I might choose the title "Which Way Now?" I like this title because it suggests that the character has more than one choice. It also makes me wonder which choice the character will make. I would explain how the biggest decision in the chapter connects to my title.

Chapter 1

What is the most important event in this chapter, and why does it matter to the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 34

Which character seems most likely to change their mind soon? Explain what in this chapter supports your prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 33

What title would you give this chapter, and how does your title fit its main events or ideas?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Which choice tells you the most about a character in this chapter? Explain what it shows.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Where does this chapter take place, and how does that setting affect what happens?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 32

Choose a passage that helped you imagine a sound, smell, taste, or touch. Which words made it work?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

Describe a time in this chapter when a character has control—or does not have control—over what happens. Why does that matter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

What do you think will happen next? Use a clue from this chapter to explain your prediction.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

How does this chapter show the importance of friendship, fairness, courage, or another big idea?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

What does a character say or do that might hide a different feeling underneath? Explain your idea using a clue.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

Which moment in this chapter was most exciting, surprising, or moving to you? Explain what made it stand out.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Find a word that is new or interesting to you. What do you think it means, and which nearby words help you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Which part of this chapter would you most like to talk about with a friend, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

Based on what you have read, what might make a character's problem harder in the next chapter? Explain your reasoning.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

What new information did you learn in this chapter, and how does it change your understanding of the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

What problem does a character face in this chapter, and what makes it hard to solve?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Imagine that a character could ask you for advice right now. What would you suggest, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

Find a word you could replace with a simpler word. Would the replacement change the meaning or feeling of the sentence?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

How does this chapter show a character being kind, unkind, or somewhere in between? Explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

How does the mood change during this chapter? Describe details that helped you notice the change.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

What question are you hoping the next chapter will answer? Explain what made you wonder about it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

Which person, place, or object would you like the author to describe more fully? Explain what you want to know.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

Look for a time when something is different from what a character expected. What does the character learn?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Choose an action or conversation that shows how two characters get along. What does it reveal?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

What happens because of a character's decision in this chapter? Explain the connection.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

What would you change about one character's response to a problem, and how might that change help?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Retell this chapter in three main steps. How does one event lead to the next?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Pick a sentence with especially strong describing words. How do those words help you picture the scene?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Which decision in this chapter do you agree or disagree with most? Explain your reasons.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

How would you describe a character's strongest feeling in this chapter? Use an action or line of dialogue as evidence.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Which detail might become important later in the story? Explain why it caught your attention.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

What does a character seem to want in this chapter, and what clues reveal that goal?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Choose a word from this chapter that describes a feeling. What does it mean, and why does it fit the scene?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What lesson could a reader learn from this chapter? Support your idea with something that happens.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
