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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Things Not Seen

Author:

Andrew Clements

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 1: Bobby wakes up and discovers something impossible has happened to him. What clues show him that this is real and not just a dream?

Example answer: I think Bobby knows it is real because he cannot see his own body, even when he is fully awake. He tries to do normal things, but everything feels strange and scary because he is really invisible. If it were a dream, he might wake up quickly, but the problem keeps going. This makes the first chapter feel surprising and serious.

Chapter 27

Chapter 27: By the end of the book, how has Bobby changed? What lesson or message do you think the author wants readers to remember?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

How to Answer (continued)

Chapter 8: Bobby meets Alicia at the library. Why is this meeting important to the story?

Example answer: I think meeting Alicia is important because Bobby finally has someone outside his family to talk to. Alicia is blind, so she does not react to him the way other people might. She listens to him and notices him in a different way. This meeting starts an important friendship that helps Bobby feel less alone.

Chapter 27: By the end of the book, how has Bobby changed? What lesson or message do you think the author wants readers to remember?

Example answer: By the end of the book, I think Bobby is braver and more honest than he was at the beginning. He learns that hiding from everyone does not solve every problem. He also learns that people can care about you for who you are, not just how you look. I think the author wants readers to remember that everyone wants to be truly seen and understood.

Chapter 1

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New word I learned:

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Chapter 26

Chapter 26: During the most intense part of the story, what does Bobby have to do, and what emotions do you think he feels?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

Chapter 25: As the solution gets closer, what worries or dangers still remain for Bobby?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Chapter 2: How do Bobby's parents react when they learn he is invisible? What does their reaction tell you about their family?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Chapter 3: Bobby and his parents start making a plan. Why do they decide to keep Bobby's condition a secret, and do you think that is a wise choice?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

Chapter 24: Which character shows the most courage in this chapter? Use one example to support your answer.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

Chapter 23: How do Bobby, Alicia, and the adults work as a team in this chapter? What does each person add?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

Chapter 4: How does being invisible make everyday things, like being at home or thinking about school, feel different for Bobby?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Chapter 5: Bobby's problem becomes more serious when his parents cannot help him in the usual way. What new responsibilities does Bobby have to face?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

Chapter 22: New information makes Bobby's situation seem connected to a larger problem. How does this change the stakes of the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Chapter 21: How do phone calls, records, or small clues help Bobby and the others move closer to solving the mystery?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Chapter 6: What does Bobby learn about taking care of himself while he is mostly on his own? Use details from the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

Chapter 7: Bobby has to follow rules to stay safe and hidden. Which rule or problem would be the hardest for you, and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

Chapter 20: Bobby takes risks to look for answers. Which risk seems the biggest to you, and why does he take it anyway?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Chapter 19: One theme of the book is that being seen can mean being understood. How does this chapter show that idea?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Chapter 8: Bobby meets Alicia at the library. Why is this meeting important to the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

Chapter 9: Alicia is blind, so she understands the world differently from Bobby. How does that change the way she notices and talks to him?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

Chapter 18: What does Bobby learn about Alicia's feelings and struggles? How does this change the way he sees her?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Chapter 17: Compare Alicia's family with Bobby's family. How are they alike or different in the way they try to protect their children?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

Chapter 10: What details show that Bobby is beginning to trust Alicia? Why is trust important in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Chapter 11: Bobby keeps a huge secret from Alicia. Why might keeping this secret protect him, and why might it also hurt their friendship?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

Chapter 16: Based on the clues so far, what do you predict caused Bobby to become invisible? Explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

Chapter 15: Bobby's parents try to solve the problem in a logical way. How does science or careful thinking help them search for answers?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Chapter 12: When Alicia learns more about Bobby, how does her reaction help you understand her character?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Chapter 13: The title is Things Not Seen. What is something in this chapter that is not seen with eyes but is still important?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Chapter 14: What outside pressures make it harder for Bobby's family to keep the secret? How do these pressures raise the tension?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
