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Reading Journal

My thoughts, chapter by chapter

Reader:

Book Title:

Where Only Storms Grow

Author:

Alyssa Colman

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.

If you could give one character advice after this chapter, what would you say and why?

Example answer: I would tell a character facing a hard choice to pause and think about who the choice could affect. I think asking a trusted person for advice can help someone notice options they missed. I would also remind the character that asking for help does not mean giving up. Before deciding, I would suggest thinking about both the helpful and harmful results.

Chapter 32

What would you ask the author about this chapter? Explain why you want to know the answer.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 31

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)

What question do you hope the next chapter will answer, and why does that question matter to you?

Example answer: I want to know what the main character will try next. That matters to me because a character's actions can show what they care about most. I am especially curious whether the character will ask for help or work alone. I will look for clues in the next chapter instead of assuming my guess is right.

When a part of this chapter was hard to understand, what reading strategy helped you, or could have helped you?

Example answer: I could reread the confusing part more slowly and check who is speaking or acting. Then I could put the passage into my own words to see whether it makes sense. If an unfamiliar word is the problem, I could use the sentences around it as clues. These steps would help me understand the chapter before moving on.

Chapter 1

What was the most important event in this chapter, and how did it affect the story?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 30

Which small detail deserves a closer look?
Explain what it might reveal about a character, the setting, or a problem.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 29

What does this chapter suggest about facing a challenge? Use a character's experience to support your answer.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 2

Which character did you learn the most about in this chapter? Explain what you discovered.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 3

Based on a clue in this chapter, what do you predict might happen next?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 28

Imagine a character made a different choice in this chapter. How might that change what happens next?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 27

When a part of this chapter was hard to understand, what reading strategy helped you, or could have helped you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 4

How did the setting affect what a character could do in this chapter?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 5

Choose an interesting or unfamiliar word from this chapter. What do you think it means, and which nearby clues helped you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 26

What title would you give this chapter, and how would that title capture its main idea?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 25

At what moment did your thinking about the story change? Describe what you thought before and what you think now.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 6

Which part of this chapter did you enjoy most, and what made it stand out?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 7

What problem received the most attention in this chapter? Explain how a character responded to it.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 24

Pick a word from this chapter that could be replaced with another word. What replacement would you choose, and how would it change the meaning or feeling?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 23

What do you think a character wants most right now? Explain how this chapter helped you decide.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 8

Describe a feeling a character had in this chapter. What words or actions helped you notice that feeling?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 9

If you could give one character advice after this chapter, what would you say and why?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 22

How did the mood of this chapter feel to you?
Point to words or details that helped create that mood.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 21

Which event would you include in a short summary of this chapter, and which detail could you leave out? Explain why.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 10

What might this chapter teach readers about how people should treat one another?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 11

Explain how two events in this chapter are connected. Did one help cause the other?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 20

What idea about life does this chapter make you think about? Explain how a detail connects to that idea.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 19

Where did you notice a character's strength or weakness in this chapter? Describe the evidence.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 12

Whose point of view would you like to hear more about? Explain what that character might help you understand.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 13

Find a phrase that helped you picture something in this chapter. What image did it create in your mind?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 18

What question do you hope the next chapter will answer, and why does that question matter to you?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 17

Choose a short passage that seems important.
Explain what it adds to the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 14

Did a character make a choice you agreed or disagreed with? Explain your opinion using a detail from the chapter.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 15

What information from this chapter seems likely to matter later? Explain your thinking.

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?

Chapter 16

How did a conversation, action, or thought help you understand a relationship between characters?

New word I learned:

What do you think it means?
