

Book Chat

Use these questions to help you write in your reading journals. This list is not meant to convey everything, and it should be used only when you need a starting point for your journal entry. Your thoughts and feelings are always the best source for your writing.

1. What were your feelings after reading the opening chapter of this book, after reading half of the book, after finishing the book?
2. Did this book make you laugh, cry, smile, upset, cheerful, angry etc. Explain your reaction
3. How is this book like or unlike your own life?
4. What are the best parts of the book? What are the worse parts of the book? Why?
5. What is the author saying about life and living through this book? Explain?
6. What part of the book seems most believable, why?
7. Do you think the title fits the book? Why or why not?
8. Do you like the ending of the book? Why or why not? What do you think might happen next?
9. What do you feel is the most important sentence, or passage in the book? What is the most important event, character, feeling, or decision? Why is it important?
10. In what ways are you like any of the characters? Explain.
11. Do any of the characters remind you of your friends, family members, classmates? Explain?
12. What makes you wonder in this book? What confuses you in this book? Why?
13. What came as a surprise? Why?
14. Has this book helped you in any way? Explain.
15. How have you changed after reading this book? Explain.
16. How do you picture the author in this book? Why do you picture him or her this way? Explain.
17. What questions would you like answered after reading this book?
18. Who else should read this book? Why? Who should not read this book? Why?