Reader’s Response IDEAS

Name _________________________________________       Date _______________________

Use this guide to assist you in literature response journal writing.

Step One: Summarize some of the important main ideas of the story in your own words including details on any of the following: characters, main events, setting, historical time period, climax, and resolution. (6-8 sentences)

Step Two: Focus on your Reactions to story. Choose one or two to explain.

1. How did the main character feel when faced with a conflict?
2. Why did the character react the way he or she did?
3. Should the character have acted that way?
4. What would you have done?
5. What does the story remind you of?
6. What did you like about the book?
7. What did you dislike about the book?
8. If you were the writer, what would you change?
9. Did the author make you feel that you were transported to that particular time in history?

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Reader’s Response

Name: ______________________________________________      Date: ___________

Book Title: ________________________________________Author:____________

Genre:  Fiction

Make a prediction about the book:

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What are the problems the main character faces and how are they solved?

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How would you have solved the problem?

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READER RESPONSE QUESTIONS
IDEAS FOR A SUMMER READING NOTEBOOK

Writing about Fiction:

1. Make predictions about the story's characters or what will happen.
2. Which character do you like best in the story?
3. Compare to characters and explain why they are different or similar.
4. Choose a favorite book and write the best part of the story.
5. Draw three important things that happened in the story.

Writing about Nonfiction:

1. Writing a short report (5 sentences) about something you learned.
2. Write questions on what you are wondering about on the topic.
3. Tell what interesting facts you have learned from reading the book.
4. Create a web with interesting facts about your topic.
5. Draw pictures from the book and tell what you learned about them.
Ideas for keeping a Writer's Notebook…

■ Write about something you like to do in the summer.

■ Tell a time you did a caring act toward a friend, pet, or family member.

■ Tell a story about a Fourth of July adventure.

■ Write about a place you have visited or want to visit.

■ Describe the perfect day with friends or your family.

■ Write about someone you think is a real hero.

■ Write about how you learned to do something new with someone's help.

■ Find a photo about a person or event in your life and tell your story of this special day.
Name: __________________________________                   Date: ________

Title: ____________________________   Author: __________

Web Organizer

☐ Fiction
☐ Nonfiction
☐ Write some important ideas about the story or book in the web.